FACES
in the Crowd
1997
HERITAGE

Christy
It's been fun in
P.E. Tennis class
Great. I think I hit
about 3 cars. Don't tell
anyone. Have a nice
summer. Good luck with
Dakota!! KIT: 340-1392
Love, Kim Dixon

CHRISTY,
Well-Photography was so great!
Hopefully we'll have more classes
together next year so we can
are really quiet but that's
o.k. because you're a sweetheart!
If you're ever at the beach stop by
the pier at the icecream shop and buy
some icecream from me. Have a great
summer and be sure to call me!
ph: 486-4437
ph: 533-1191

Always,
Jennifer
Tucker

Christy!
Didn't really
know you but had a
great summer. There's
ain't nuttin wrong with
a 30 yr old. We kotpa
outta ya help
Shayna

Hi! This is Kira,
you know, your P.E buddy.
Well, I really had a
blast playing tennis and
badminton (is that how you spell it?)
Hope to c-ya next year.
Kira Brown
481-6208

Christy,
Hello my silly
face. Best ever
friend!!!
Silly Silly times
@ the bus & insanely
@ the local neighborhood
7-11 heaven!!!
Call me when you
get a phone
498-0341
Mary-Beth
(Polka

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Christine,
Hey girl! It's been a fun year! It's been bad & I didn't get to know you better this summer. Call me sometime 404-1803. I'll always remember you and on that note:

Remember the Hoes
Remember the gloss
The pain in the ASS!

Michelle Small

Christine,
I missed you in French, this year where were you!? Nobody there to annoy how's your baby brother/sister. I forgot help me out! Next year I want you to be in my French class! I don't care what the school will say! Have fun over the summer living a couple minutes away from me! I know where you live!
Stay sweet
Love,
MC

Hey girl,
I kinda don't have alot of time so I can't write a whole page but I also have it see you so much this year. My brother isn't graduating and I don't get to go to Atlanta so I can't see the Braves play. I still can't believe they got rid of Justice. Well, nothing for me to say about Avi this year and I knew you dislike Mike even more. CULSTR. It's always Shake 'n' Bake when you feel like Chicken tonight!
Love + Fruits
Maggie Hughes

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FaCes in the crowd

Throughout the last three decades, the dedicated faculty and staff produced some of the best students in the district who excelled in academic achievement, leadership skills and athletic abilities. Students who were prepared to walk out of high school towards the future, towards a new life. Several renovations and two additions to the building created an environment that met the needs of the ever changing student body, and the spirit and pride that united the Patriots throughout this past year will stay with them forever. Venturing into the world, students took with them the fond memories of four years of carefree high school days with much hard work, intense practices, and most of all, fun times.

Facial Expressions

"My favorite thing about F.C. this past year was all of the new freshmen freedoms." -Brooke Mathias, freshman
"The coolest thing about the 96-97 school year was the new wing!" -Ryan Schalles, sophomore
"The Ladies!" -Will Gemmill, junior
"My favorite thing about this past year was all of the senior priviledges." -Nicole Dechirico, senior

Watching the various performing groups along the track, the entire student body listens while the fall sport athletes are recognized by their coaches. The annual Fall Pep-Rally inspired everyone to attend the games and show their support.

During the senior asembly, Steve Gallagher and Elizabeth Batdorf proudly display the new senior theme board. Leola Swart designed the board to coincide with the senior class theme, "The Best Of What's Around".

Posing for a group picture at the Virginia Wesleyan SCA Leadership Workshop are the representatives and officers. This workshop taught the students leadership abilities and how to achieve better student cooperation.

our many FaCes

Like the dodecahedron, people also have many faces. The students at First Colonial High School were a multifaceted bunch. The activities that presented themselves this year were of a wide variety. Some of the more interesting hobbies around town were drag racing and the Rocky Horror Picture Show. The Neptune Festival dominated the end of summer with concerts, surfing, and art, as did the ECSC. As far as school goes, even our seniors were able to hold out until graduation rolled around, proving F.C. is definitely the best in the beach. Students had many hobbies outside of school, and being at the beach provided opportunities that other schools didn't have. Surfing was popular, not to mention all of the job opportunities at the oceanfront. All in all, outside of school, students knew how to use their time wisely, displaying our many faces.

Facial Expressions

"I'm in a band, actually, we've never played anywhere, but it's cool." -Robert Gray, freshman
"I like to rollerblade and play street hockey." -Mike Gallager, sopohmore
"I like going to see the 'Rocky Horror Picture Show' because of the interesting crowd." -Erin Jacobus, junior
"Being a senior, my favorite after-school activity is going to Burger King after sixth bell." -Dominik Reichenmiller, senior

Onstage at the Elvis Festival, Carrie Prass astounds the crowd with an outstanding rendition of an old "King of Rock 'n Roll" tune. The festival amused the tourists as well as the locals this year, with a wide variety of Elvis imitators.

Standing in front of the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin, Jeanette Ortt, Mindy Laster, Hugh Langston, Erika Johnson, Erin Jacobus, Elizabeth Coker, Josh Krause, Ryan Nixon, and sponsor, Mrs.Connie Johnson enjoy the various sights and historical places. These students were in Germany as part of a Sister City exchange.

In an oceanfront tourist shop, Kim Castora rings up the final selections for a customer. The three years she has worked at the beach proved to be an interesting and enjoyable experience.

Groove Tonight '96 SENIORS

The class of 1996 was one to never be forgotten. Each person displayed their own individual personality along with the strong patriot pride for which First Colonial is known. At the end of the year, the seniors were rewarded for their many years of hard work with an amazing Prom and a memorable graduation.

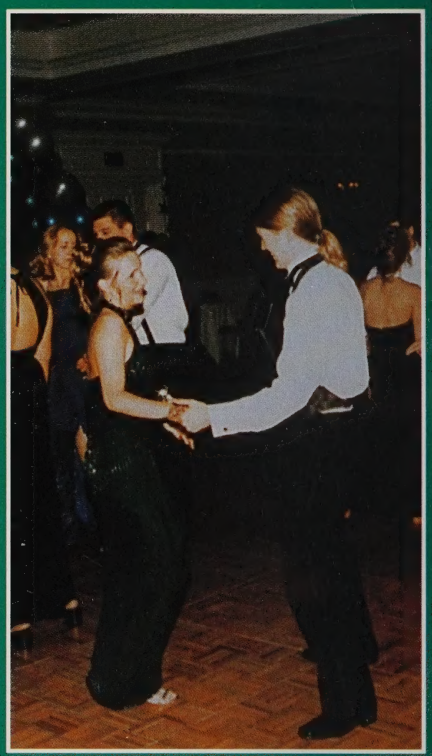
Seniors also looked forward to enjoying certain privileges, the night of prom and the culminating event of the year- graduation. Senior privileges included a guaranteed parking space, possible early dismissal from school, and exemption from yearly course exams with a B average for the year.

Sunday night, June 9 was an exciting time for the seniors. They arrived at the Pavilion by 6:00 p.m. to check in and be placed according to alphabetical seating. Cameras flashed and camcorders worked over time as the procession began with the seniors filing past excited family members and friends.

A revival of the 70's infected the Senior Prom held at the Oceanfront Sheraton on April 27, 1996. The graduating class danced the night away with their closest friends, making memories to last a lifetime. Gina Garofalo commented, "The restaurant we went to, Tautog's, rocked. Being with friends made the night unforgettable,"

Students had the oppurtunity to spend the final night of their high school days at the Gradfest sponsored by the senior class located at the Great Neck Recreational Center. Courtney Shoup commented, "The ceremony was great and hanging out with friends at Gradfest really made the night memorable." Some of the PTA members and several teachers helped with the games and entertainment throughout the night.

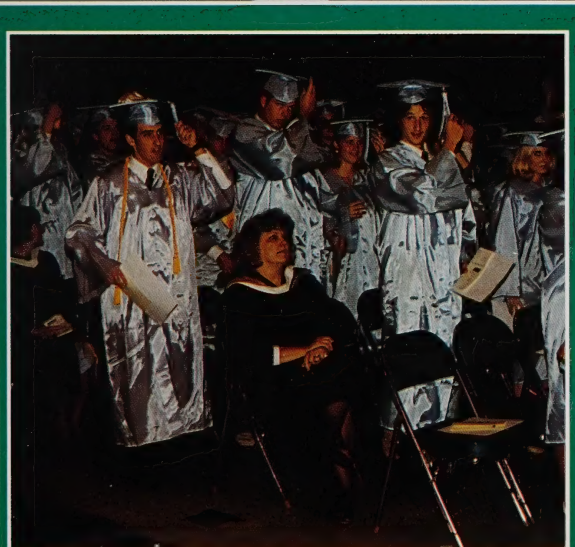
Laughing together, Erin Camp and Joe Robertson cut a rug at Senior Prom. The dj played a variety of music for the students to enjoy.



The bright lights and big city excitement of Las Vegas hit Gradfest. Danny Hewitt was ready for the big-time money making games.

After a vigorous dance number, Corey Fogle, Brianne Buchannan, Laine Brammer, and Matt Addison take a break. The couples enjoyed the night making memories.

Positioning the boutonniere just so, Mark Sameit prepares to head out the door with Ryan Beshany to pick up their dates. Friends assisted one another with the task of getting ready for Senior Prom.



Seniors observe the tradition of the turning of the tassels after all have walked across the stage. This graduation ritual brought to a close all the hard work and accomplishments achieved during their educational career.

Pausing for a breath, Laura LaRoche takes a minute to capture this special moment with junior, Sarah Faucette. Many seniors were sad about leaving good friends behind.

'Moonlit Nights' Ring Dance

Glimmering silver stars, dazzling moons, and blue and white balloons decorated the Sea Room at the Dam Neck Officer's Club for the Junior Prom/Ring Dance. These decorations helped to portray the theme of the evening, Moonlit Nights. For four exciting, fun-filled hours, the juniors escaped from their everyday hectic schedules and enjoyed the company of their friends and classmates.

The evening began by preparing for the dance. Girls spent most of their time fixing hair, applying make-up, and getting dressed. Guys had to pick up flowers, put on their tuxedos, and go to meet their dates. After all of the customary pictures were taken, the couples finally got a chance to enjoy themselves at dinner and dance, dance, dance!

Once the juniors and their dates arrived and had their pictures taken, the rest of the evening was spent dancing, socializing, and just having a good time. Elizabeth Batdorf commented,'I had a great time boogying the night away.' The juniors were able to pick up their class rings at any time during the dance.

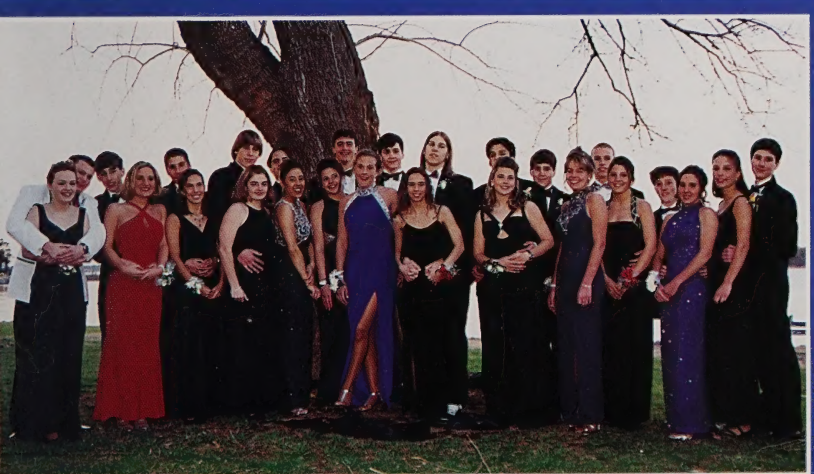
After dancing the night away, the students departed to hang out with their friends, go to parties, or simply go home to relax and get some sleep. Whatever the end result was, Junior Prom/Ring Dance was a night to be remembered by all who attended.

Reaching for some fruit, James Cummings, Nick Naylor, and Tim Scott take a break from all the dancing. The boys enjoyed the plethora of finger foods, fruit, and desserts Junior Prom had to offer.

During the dance, Kaszia Campos steps aside to allow Mario Colon to turn her class ring. The juniors continued the tradition of having their rings turned 97 times.

Receiving his class ring, Adam Carroll eagerly accepts it from the Jostens representative. Awaiting the delivery of their rings was only half the excitement of Ring Dance for the juniors.

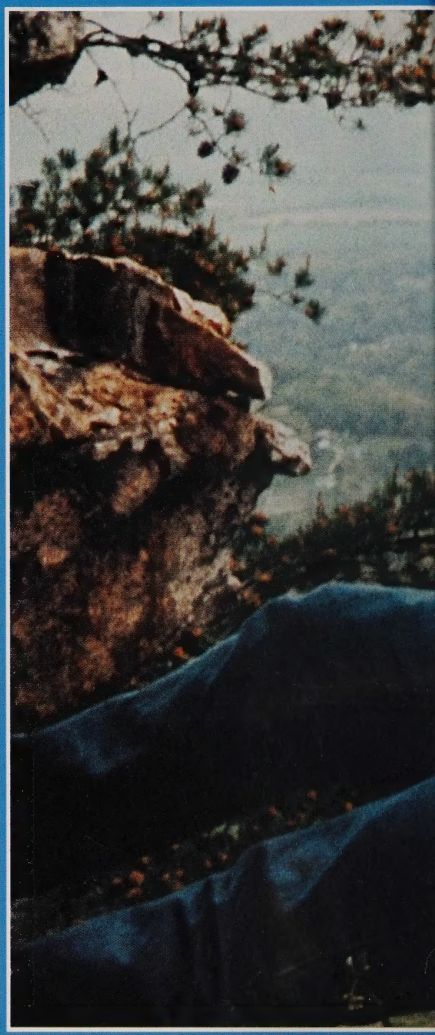
Moving with the music, Dalia Gonzalez, with several of her friends, grooves to the song 'Jump'. Different types of music were played to accommodate the interests of the students attending the Ring Dance.



Jason Nichol's backyard was the perfect setting for a "mother's photo" before enjoying dinner provided by his parents. During this time, they socialized and admired each other's attire, and later caught a ride to the dance on the TRT trolly.

Before joining their dates for dinner,Gayle Holloway and Tricia James pose to take a picture The two girls spent several hours together helping each other prepare for the dance.

Beating the Heat
Summer Fun



As students completed their last final exam, they felt that familiar rush of excitement that came with the start of summer vacation. The school doors closed tightly as three long months of freedom stretched out before them. Throughout these summer months students made use of their free time by working, traveling, or just hanging out with friends.

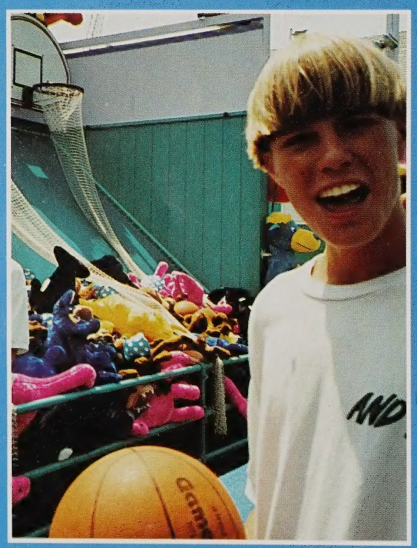
Jobs were a popular and many times necessary summer activity for students. Krista Zinner, who made hair wraps and sold jewelry on 16th street, commented, "Having my own business proved to be an important learning experience." Other students worked as lifeguards, waitresses, or as cashiers along the Virginia Beach resort strip.

Some students opted for spending their summer relaxing and having fun. The beach was a great place for exactly that. Jason Rhodes exclaimed, "The waves were big during the hurricanes so body boarding was fun!"

While some remained at home, other students had the opportunity to visit many different places all over the world. Jessica Zelig spent five weeks traveling in Israel this summer. She commented, "Israel was the most beautiful country and I will never forget my time spent there. " Other students did not travel quite as far but still managed to have a good time. Frank Castora traveled to Long Island, New York where he attended his cousin's baptism.

With the free time which came with summer, Rob O'Donnell found a better way to use it. He claims, "I had a great time hanging out with my girlfriend, Lisa Neely all summer."

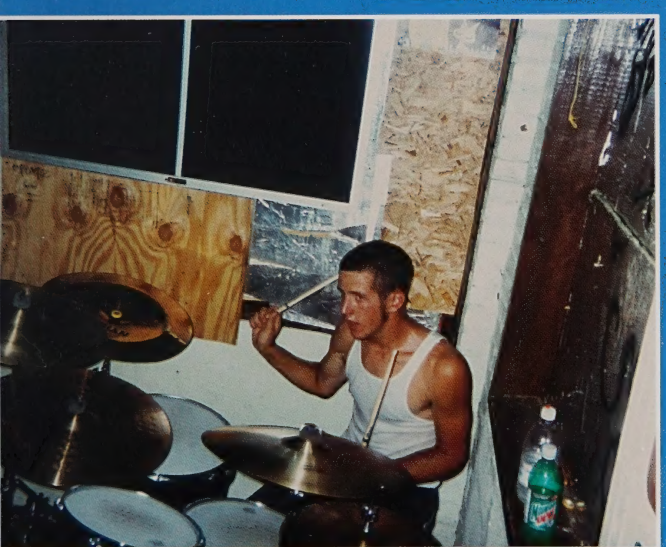
As the summer months drew to a close, students were able to look back and smile believing their time was well spent.



At Busch Gardens, Chris Foster attempts to win a prize while utilizing his basketball skills. Chris was known for his athletic expertise..

Taking advantage of the beautiful weather, John Gomez, Tim Scott, Ryan Balsly, and Danny Chung spend time at the beach relaxing in the sun. Many students headed to the nearby oceanfront throughout their summer vacations.

While vacationing in Harrisonburg, Virginia, Kadee Kirby repells 110 feet down a mountainside. Although mountain climbing was hard work and oftentimes very dangerous, Kadee enjoyed the experience and felt it was well worth the effort.



Showing off his incredible talent during rehearsal, Chris Raines keep the rhythm for the band. Chris and the other members of "Spit Fire" played several gigs throughout the summer, such as The Basement in Norfolk.

After racing at a local dragstrip in New Haven, CT, John Bradly shows off his 1979 Chevy Camero Z28. John came in sixth place in the "run what you bring" class with a top speed of 137.4 mph.

Military Tribute
Neptune Festival

Living up to its reputation, the Neptune Festival, in its twenty-third year, was thoroughly entertaining for all of those involved. The theme of this year's festivities, "Neptune's Red, White-Hot, and Blue Blast-a Salute to the Military," was prevalent throughout the city on posters and tee-shirts.

First Colonial students were commonly seen participating in the various activities of the festival; whether they were marching in the parade, checking out the ever present food booths, or gazing at the intensely popular fireworks display. The annual sand castle contest has always been one of the most favorite events. All day long, people milled up and down the boardwalk, looking enviously at the temporary masterpieces that were scultped into the sand. Even the cold and the light precpitation on Sunday didn't hinder people from coming down to the oceanfront. Unfortunately, only the artistically gifted took part in that part of the festival. Andy Jaekle commented, " I wish I could make sand castles like they do!"

One of the most important roles in the festival is played by the royal court. Laine Brammer had the honor of being a Neptune princess. She took part in numerous activities throughout the span of the festival, including attending the Grand Ball, and the air show. When reflecting on her reign as princess, Laine said, " Being a Neptune princess has definitely been an interesting experience. It's a great chance to get involved with the community and to meet lots of people."

For all those who attended and participated in the festival, many lasting memories were created.

Grasping hot chili peppers, King Neptune gazes up at the sky. Members of the art honor society toiled throughout the morning to complete their masterpiece.

With intense concentration, Adam Lebsack uses his unparalled talent to keep the Marching Patriots together. The band entertained the enthusiastic crowd for the entire route of the parade.

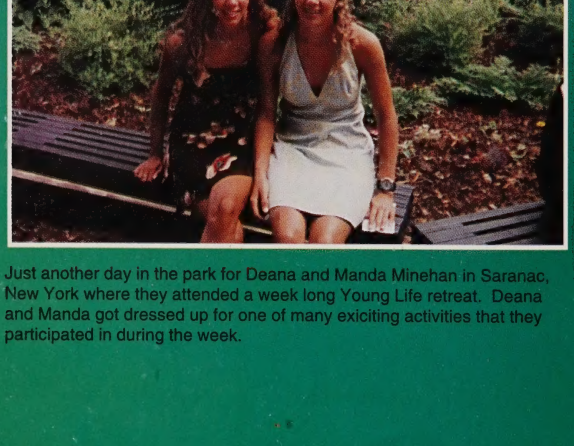
Dancing down the strip, Melanie Ortt and Taren Gregory smile as they attempt to keep warm. Trying to ignore the blustery weather, Melanie and Taren took part in the parade and proudly represented the dance team.

Hanging up student artwork, Katie Baines helps to prepare for the youth art show. Despite the windy weather, the various selections were displayed beautifully throughout the day on the immense wall of chicken wire

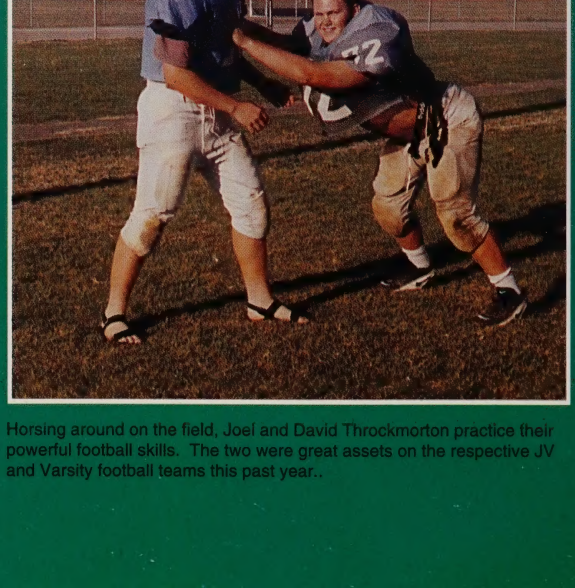
Waving to the crowds lining Atlantic Avenue, Laine Brammer smiles down from a top her float. As a princess, Laine pariticipated in numerous events throughout the festival, with the pararde as the grande finale.

Keeping in time with the beat of the band, the colorguard completes a routine. Even in the cold and rain all of the girls on the team managed to keep their flags in perfect unison.

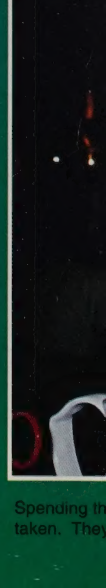
Preparing to cruise down the street with Jared Anderson on the hood, his brother, Zack, refused to let him in the truck. The two liked to partake in activities such as afternoon cruises and teasing each other.



Just another day in the park for Deana and Manda Minehan in Saranac, New York where they attended a week long Young Life retreat. Deana and Manda got dressed up for one of many exiciting activities that they participated in during the week.



Horsing around on the field, Joel and David Throckmorton practice their powerful football skills. The two were great assets on the respective JV and Varsity football teams this past year..



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We Are Family

Siblings

Sitting with their dog Shelby, Kevin and Kelly Knowles lounge around in the comfort of their own home. When not fighting over phone usage or taking out the garbage, they enjoyed spending time together.

Was there a brother or sister at home? If so, then sharing with them was most likely not very enjoyable. They seemed to be everywhere- the kitchen, the same bathroom, the car, everything had to be shared. Now, how about sharing the same school with them? Riding the bus together or driving to school with a sibling was not always a pleasant way to start the morning. Walking down the crowded halls and spotting a sibling amongst the swarms of students, left one debating- stop to stay hello or walk on by pretending they do not exist?

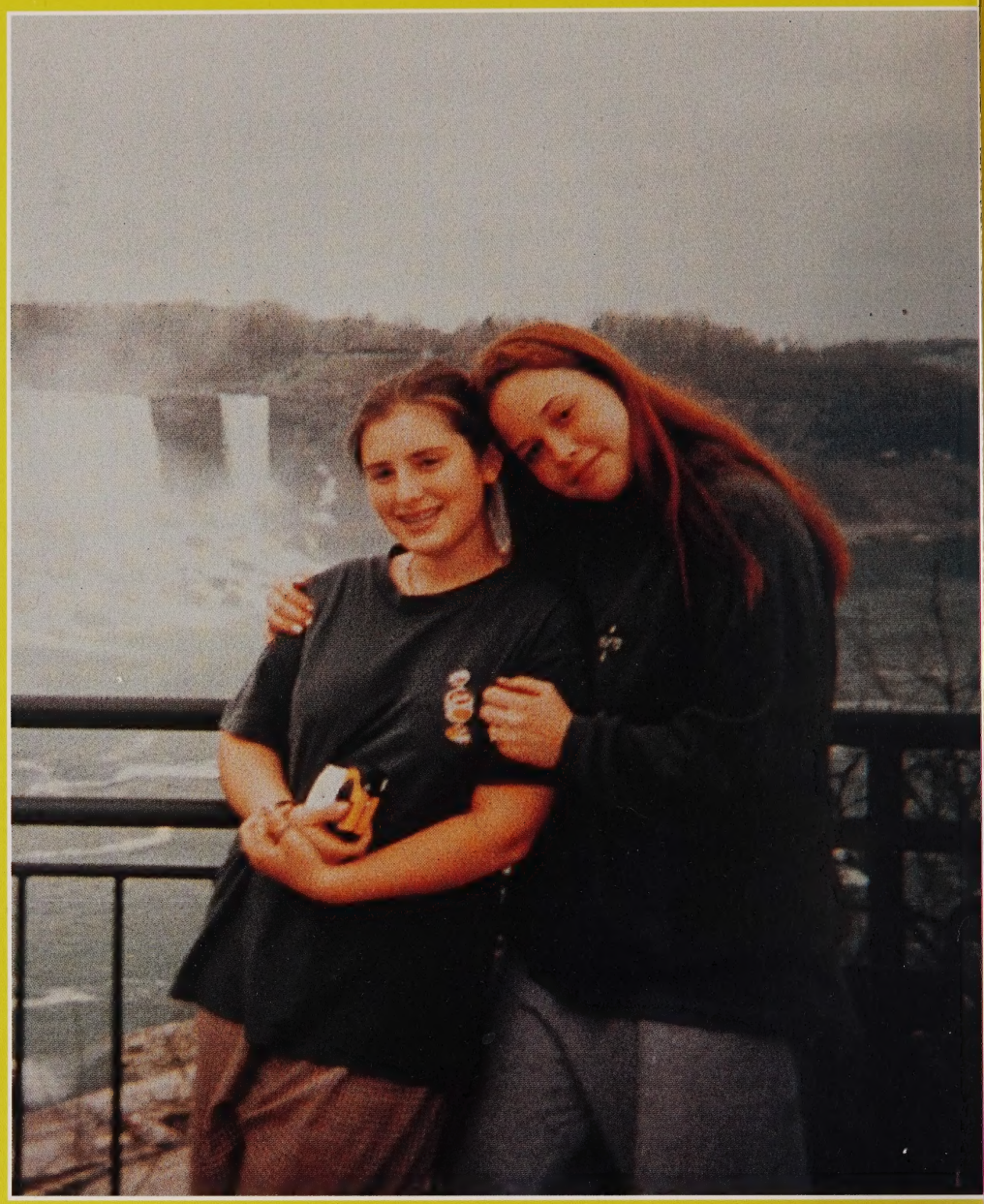
Although having to attend high school with a brother or sister might have seemed to be a horrible nightmare to some, to others it was quite helpful. For younger siblings, they were able to depend on their older, wiser sibling for guidance and support. As for the older siblings, well, there was nothing the younger ones were really good for except gas money and someone to pick on every now and then.

Of course, there was always a case when not only did a sibling roam the school, but they happened to be an identical copy. Jeffrey and Jason Bernd were an example of such brothers. When asked what the advantages were, Jeffrey commented, "Same classes, same teachers, same tests." Concerning the disadvantages of a twin sibling, Jason replied, "Same classes, same teachers, same tests."

At the end of a tiring school day, most students could not wait to grab their books and leave. But for some siblings, they had to search through the hallways in order to find their brother or sister before their strenuous day could finally come to a close.

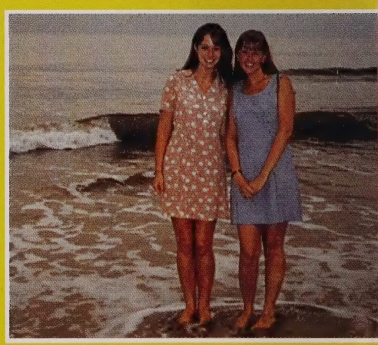
mer vacation in Disney World, Kathy, Krissy, and Susan Cuce stop to have their picture oined by their favorite Disney character, Minnie Mouse.

Enjoying a boat ride on Lake Ontario, Dawn and Devonah Bodenstein get caught in the gusty winds of Toronto, Canada. They admired the beautiful scenery during a break from their hard work of perfoming with the Madrigals Singers.



Making a stop at Niagra Falls, best friends Lila Hodges and Hillary Schoon, pause for a scenic photo. A two hour delay at the U.S. Canadian border allowed for only thirty minutes viewing time at one of the seven wonders of the world.

Enjoying a day of jet skiing on Higgin's Lake, Kadee Kirby, Elizabeth Batdorf, and Carrie Niemann laugh as they tumble into the water. The three close friends spent many days camping with Carrie's family in Michigan.



Best friends Kelly Hudgens and Melissa Stevens enjoy their stroll along the beach while vacationing in Kiawah, South Carolina. The girls enjoyed this chance to strengthen their friendship while working on developing a tan.

One in a Million Friends

Listening to their guide, Carolee Widgeon and Brandie Peterson, anxiously wait to go canoeing on Lake Gaston. The two had to work together as a team to properly manuever the canoe through the lake.

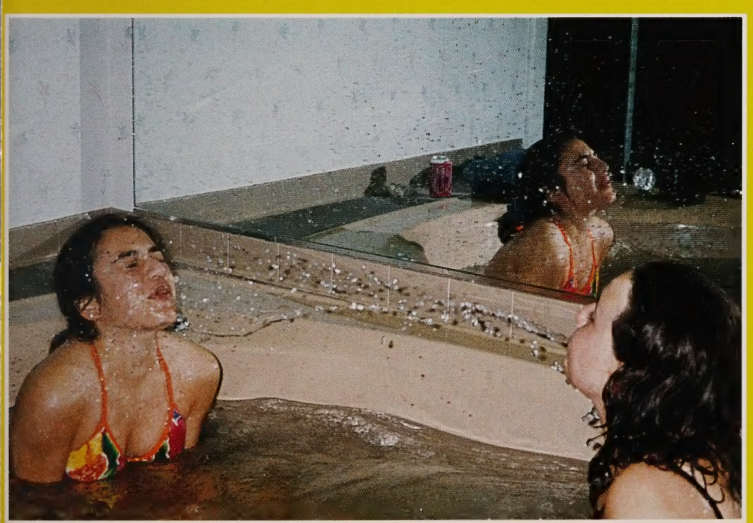
"Friendship is like a fine wine, in time it will only become better," Larry Pope reflects. Friends helped to create memories that last a lifetime. When people look back on their high school years, the fondest memories will be ones shared with good friends.

Good friends were there for each other through the good times and the bad; they were there to listen and help each other through stressful moments, as well. Most students agreed that spending time with friends helped them relax and just be themselves.

Friends always accepted each others ways and personalities even though they were sometimes quite different. Gayle Holloway commented, "My best friend and I are total opposites, but that's what makes our friendship unique. She adds a totally abstract view to my life." Most importantly, friends could always give an honest opinion about anything; telling each other the truth, even if it meant saying, "Gee, buddy, you look really, really bad today."

No two friendships could be the same for each was made from two different people with different ideas and personalities. As Sarah Faucette commented, "The best part about the relationship with my best friends is that we can go for days without hanging out, but I know when we finally get together, we can pick up right where we left off and just have a good time."

Friends were people who shared secrets, good times at the beach, and most importantly, shared the experience of high school years. Friends were common faces in the crowd.

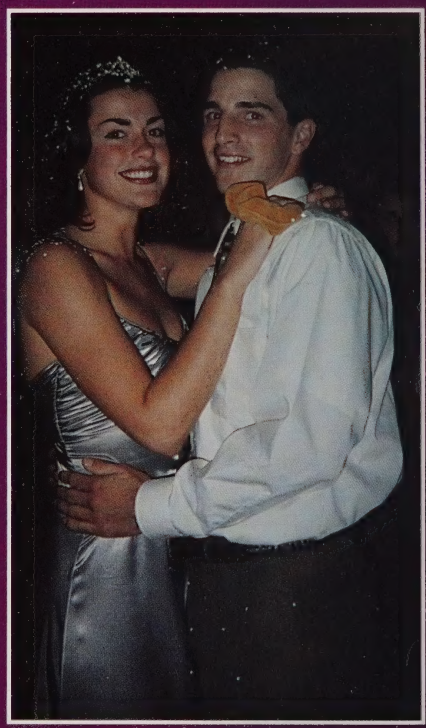


While celebrating Kim's seventeenth birthday, Becky Wynne and Kim Castora splash around in the hot tub. Kim joined Becky's family on a trip to Massanutten where they relaxed and enjoyed time away from the stresses of everyday life.

At a volleyball championship in Lake Tahoe, Colorado, Kevin Jones and Andy Jaeckle spent their days competing and creating fond memories. As best friends, Andy and Kevin found each other's company enjoyable both on and off the court.

"One Moment in Time"
Homecoming

Dancing the night away are Steve Tyler and Elizabeth Yax, the proud recipitents of Homecoming King and Queen. The two were crowned the previous night during the football game.



Even with the somewhat dreary weather, and the cancellation of the homecoming pep-rally, the game and dance put a perfect end to Spirit Week. The students, all in blue and gold were really psyched for the big game againist Ocean Lakes High School on Friday night.

At the game, the pregame show included the floats traveling around the track, along with the fantastic senior trolley. The upperclassmen all packed on the trolley and threw confetti into the crowd to show class support and spirit. At halftime, the Homecoming court was brought onto the field; Elizabeth Yax and Steve Tyler were announced as Homecoming Queen and King , respectively. The proud court stood on the field while pictures were taken, everyone was all smiles.

After the announcement of the court, the floats rounded the track another time. Each class had a float, many clubs and the SCA also presented floats. The freshman class had a "future" theme, the sophomores had the fifties, the junoirs had the seventies (the one with the disco-ball), and the float contest winners the seniors, had "Taming the Dolphins."

On Saturday night, the Homecoming dance was a huge hit! Couples danced to the music provided by the SCA among ballons in the cafeteria. The theme for the dance was "One Moment in Time," and it was enjoyed by all who attended. The game and dance were an exciting end to the '96 Homecoming week.

Standing at the fifty yard line on the field, the court poses for a group shot. Freshmen: Jamie Lacore and Ryan O'Donnell, Sophomores: Jenni Steele and Tim Lett, Juniors: Stacey Smith and Eric Miller, and Seniors: Leola Swart, John Gomez, Elizabeth Batdorf, Kyle Magyar, Jenny Sutherland, Dwyane Appleton, Jackie Hills, Robbie O'Donnell, Colleen Toohey, Parker Friske, Laine Brammer, Steve Gallagher, and Elizabeth Yax.

Marching around the sophomore float, Sara Thayer wave to the crowd. The girls are thier fifties outfits for the game.

Hanging by their limbs out of the trolley, various senoirs scream, yell, and throw confetti into the crowd to demonstrate support for their class. The TRT trolley was driven around the outside track during the pregame show along with the rest of the floats.

ck and Mary
dressed up in

Stopping to pose for a picture, Bear Tamez, Nicole Smith, Carrie Prass and Dawn Bodenstein party at the dance. The decorations, music, and food was well enjoyed by all.

Preparing to start the game, the football players race through the banner held by the cheerleaders. All members were psyched for the important Homecoming game against Ocean Lakes; the final score was 49-28.

Patriot Pride
Spirit Week

Binding the school together for five days of excitement, a break of the ordinary, and not to mention school pride, was Spirit Week.

Kicking off the week was Crazy Hat and Hair Day, which allowed students to break a school rule by sporting their favorite headwear. Throughout the building, creativity was displayed with the wearing of everything from sombreros to Mickey Mouse ears to the ever-popular baseball caps.

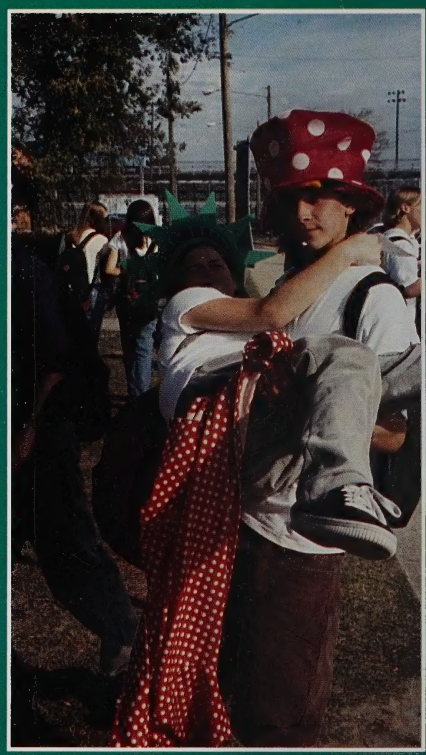
Coming to school without getting dressed was a tortureous childhood dream which was finally realized for many on Tuesday, Pajama Day. This day gave students the opportunity to just roll out of bed and come to school without the added hassle of deciding on what to wear.

Wednesday, Decade Day, had a different theme for each class: the seniors were the Ancient Greeks, the juniors the seventies, the sophomores the fifties, and the freshmen were the twenty-first century. The junior class even held a competition between history classes to see which room had the greatest participation and school spirit. Meghan Powell commented,"It was really fun to compete with the other classes to see who could come up with the most creative seventies costumes!"

In honor of the holiday, Thursday was desginated as Halloween Day. Students arrived disguised in their most inventive costumes -everything from vampires to clowns.

Friday, F.C. Spirit Day was hardly dampened by the rain that cancelled the scheduled pep rally or the attempt at the Cox drive-by. All through the day, an array of golds and blues could be seen around school, whether it was in face paint, clothing, or hairstyles.

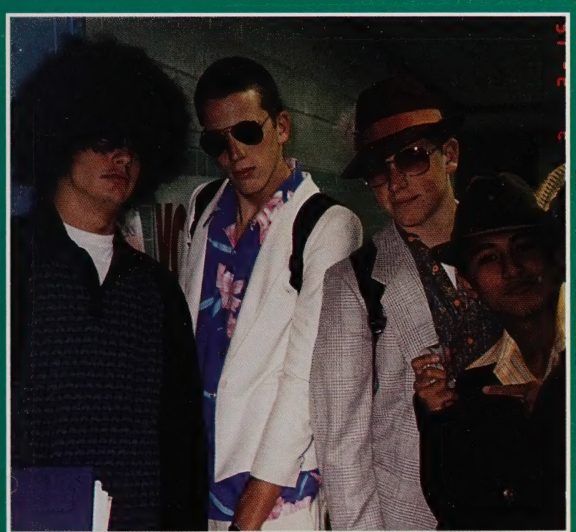
All decked out in funny hats, the Staute of Liberty and the Mad Hatter pose in the court yard. Students used Crazy Hat Day to take advantage of the priviledge of wearing hats.



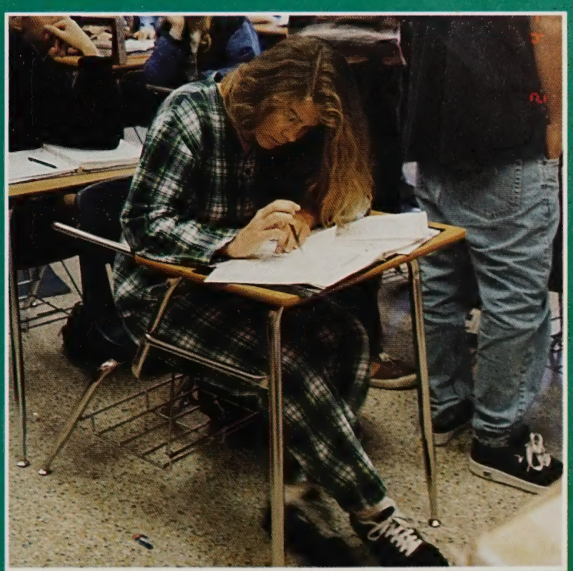
Posing in front of the blood drive sign, a french maid, Cruella de Ville, a princess, and a vampire celebrate Halloween. The creativity of F.C.'s inhabitants was displayed on this day.

Showing off their gold and blue, Dan Baxley, Carrie Cross, Chris Quaid, Carrie Prass, Antigone Georgiou, Jessica Homes, Sara Nash, and Mindy Laster display their school spirit at the tailgate party. The seniors took advantage of this oppurtunity to get pumped up before the football game.

Loudly sounding off, Keith Hensly and Eric Grossgold display their musical ability as well as their school spirit. On Decade Day, everyone dressed according to their class theme. Seniors were given the opportunity to sport togas around the school.



Sporting the groovin' styles of the seventies, Randy Eppert, Nick Naylor, Jack Slagle, and Larry Pope take a minute to pose for the camera. Juniors raided thrift stores, along with their parents' closets to come up with costumes for Decade Day.



Lounging around in her pajamas, Leah McCarraher puts the finishing touches on her government test. Many students took advantage of the oppurtunity to wear their most comfortable clothing to school during Spirit Week.

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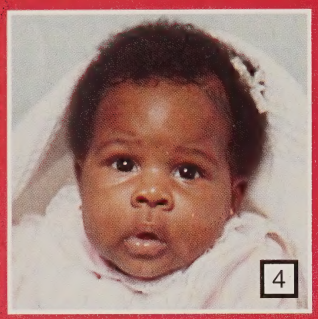
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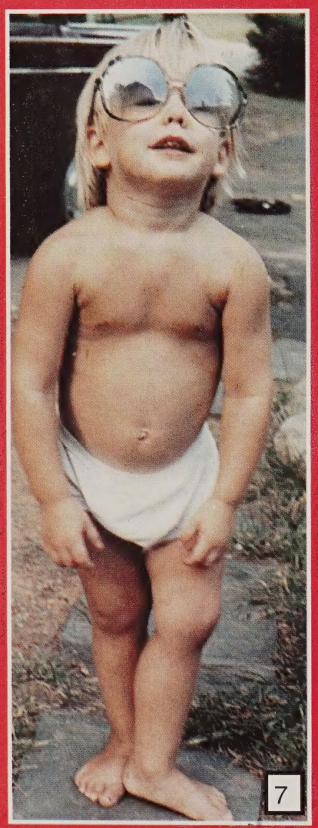
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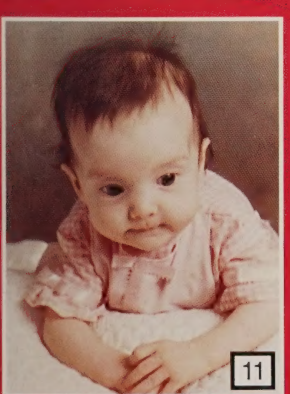
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no two FaCes alike

There have always been hundreds of thousands of facial combinations in humankind; the way people looked was and still is as random as the splitting of a chromosome or the dominance of a gene. Thus, faces looked as different as the personalities wearing them. Subtle differences occurred in identical twins which gave away the propriety of secretive allusiveness. Perhaps a dimple, a mole, or some other distinguishing characteristic would alert the viewer to the real identity.

It has often been said that every person alive has a double somewhere on this planet. Some students and teachers have even experienced this phenomenon through their various national and world travels. Therefore proving that people and their faces were like snowflakes; no two were exactly alike.

Facial Expressions

"People here are different, but it's ok because I love it!"
-Laura Machaj, Freshman
"It's easier to get to know people in high school than it is in junior high."
-Jonathan Healy, sophomore
"I've learned not to judge people right away."
-Ben Matchett, junior
"I learned that you can't be liked by everyone. You just have to be yourself, and that's how you find your friends."
-Melissa Zitron, senior

While whitewater rafting in West Virginia, Adam Burke, Melissa Stevens, Kadee Kirby, Andy Jaeckle, Kelly Hudgens, Carrie Niemann, and Patrick Lonning found a common interest in the cold water and vigorous exercise. Friendships were often formed on excursions like these.

Sports often bring students closer together forming lasting friendships. Jamie Collins, Carrie Rosenstock, Grace Bonnie, Elizabeth Batdorf, Graham Strickler, and Jodi Bierman were an example of such an occurence.

Seventies pride was a cause worth marching for at the homecoming game. Nick Naylor, Jennifer Ackerman, Kathrine Benson, James Cummings, and Randy Eppert walked beside the Junior class float during the halftime parade.

David Aldous

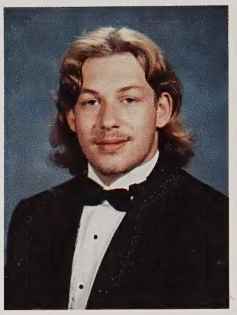
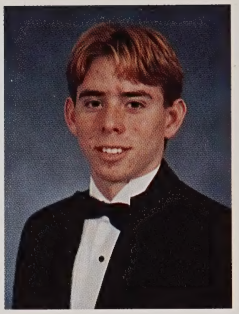
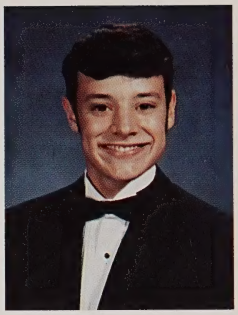
Matt Alexander

"Pain goes away, chicks dig scars, glory is forever."

Patrick Almaguer

Romy Ambroise

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me! Thanks Mom for all the love and support."

Stiles Anderson

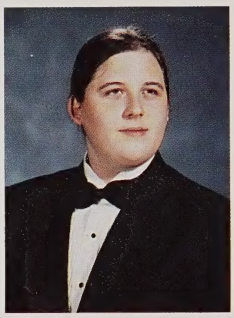
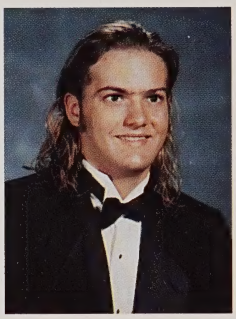
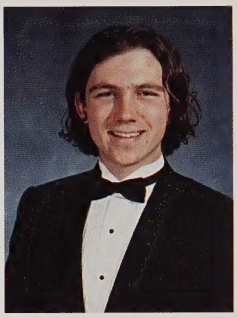
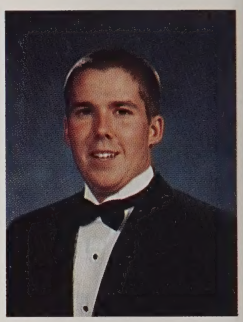
William Anderson

Dwayne Appleton

"If people's judgements influenced my life- I wouldn't be the eccentrically flirtatious man you see before you."

Patrick Arline

"You might not like it, but you better learn to love it."

Nicholas Bahner

"God's grace is getting what you don't deserve; His mercy is not getting what you do."

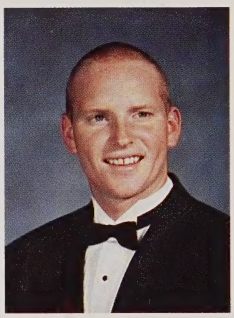
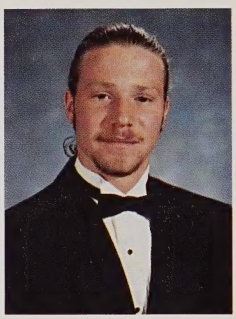
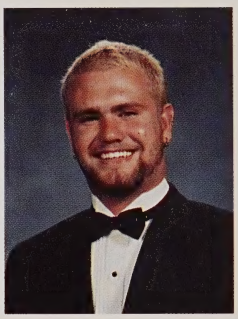
Jason Bailey

Bradley Baker

"I've got straight edge." -Minor Threat

Nancy Bannat

"Some days you're the windshield, and some days you're the bug."

Mostyn Barkley

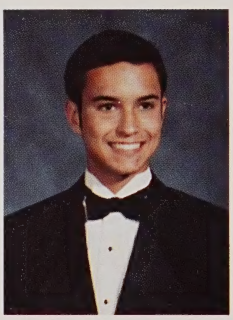
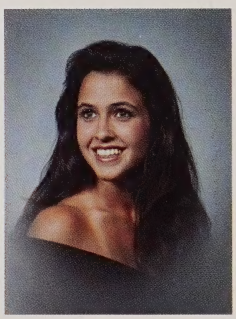
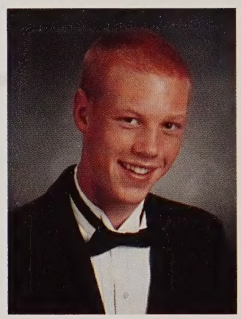
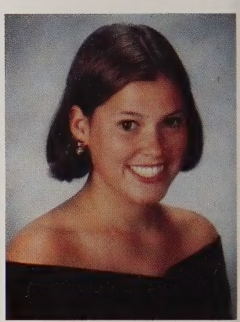
Juliette Barnes

"The joy of the Lord is my strength."

Ryan Baracco

Elizabeth Batdorf

"What's popular isn't always right; what's right isn't always popular."

Daniel Baxley

"See ya in 'Sydney 2000'."

Mary Baxter

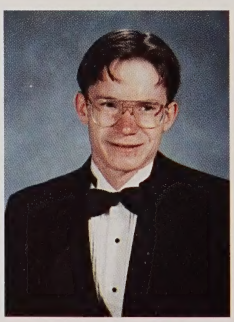
"Laugh while you can. Everything has its time."

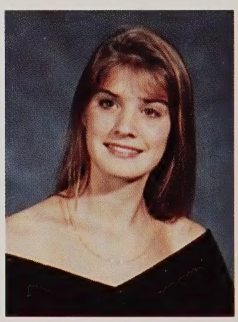
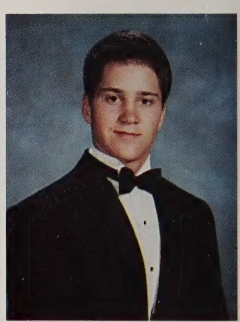
Gina Beachman

"We are not loved because we are worthy. We are worthy because we are loved."

Jason Bernd

"A man who stands for nothing will fall for anything."



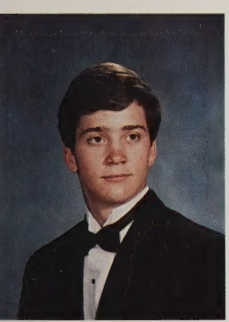
Life After High School

The closing of the senior year meant many different things for the Class of 1997. Students would all go their separate ways as they began what was supposed to be the rest of their lives.

Some students would instantly join the work force. They would be faced with the task of finding a field wherein hopefully they would be content for the rest of their lives. Other students would decide to bypass college spending a few years trying to decide what they wanted to do with their lives; they might take a few years off and then move on to further schooling.

Many students chose yet another four years of schooling. They then had the strenuous choice of deciding which school was the proper one for them. After choosing a school, the students then had to be accepted into the particular school. Applications had to be filled out, essays written, and recommendations sent. Then came the tedious task of waiting for the letter which would crush or fulfill their dreams.

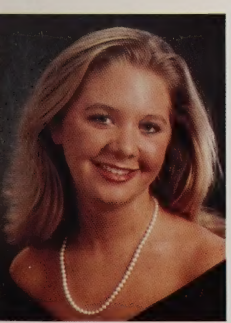
After getting into college students also had one more choice to make. What career did they want to explore in college? What did they want to do with their lives? But soon all these questions would be answered and the Class of 1997 would become the adults watching a whole new crop of students struggle through high school.



Jeffrey Bernd

"The only thing that makes life possible is permanent, intolerable uncertainty; not knowing what comes next." -Ursula LeGuinn

Samantha Bethman



Elizabeth Bickers

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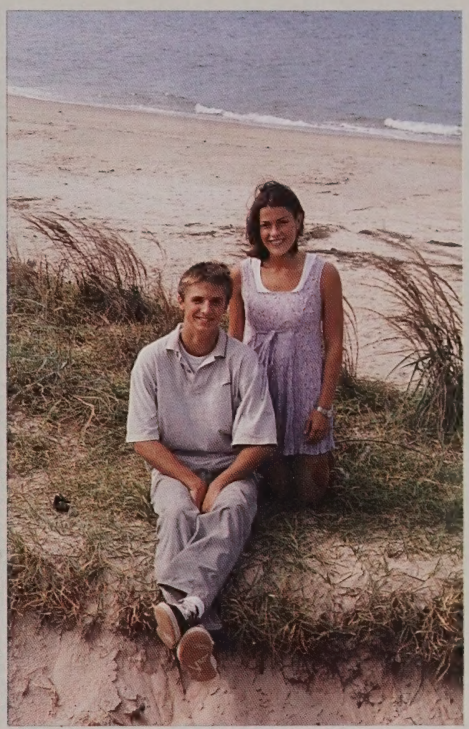
Best Looking

Parker Friske and Elizabeth Yax

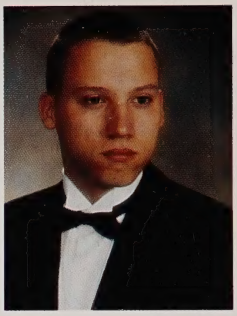


Meghan Bishop
"And you think that we'll be alright and be happy."

Shanna Blais
"What it all comes down to. . .is that everything's gonna be fine, fine, fine. . ." - Alanis Morrisette

William Blowe

Dawn Bodenstein
"I never let schooling get in the way of my education." -Mark Twain

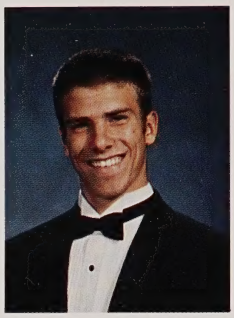


John Bonanno

Trisha Boyce
"Life's too short not to scratch where it itches."

Misty Boykin
"I've worked too hard and sacrificed too much to fail. I will not be defeated!"

Katie Boylan
"Smile. It costs nothing and is beyond price."

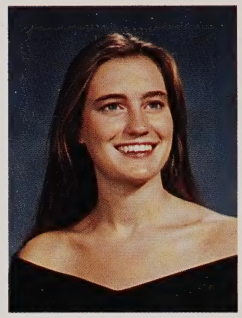
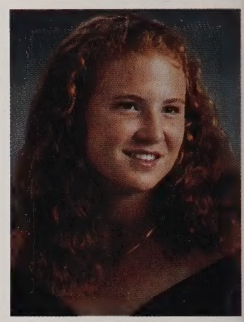


John Bradley
"Free as a bird now, and a bird you can't change. Lord knows I can't change."

Melissa Bradley

Laine Brammer
"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."

Hope Breckenridge
"Of all beings on earth, only humans can smile."

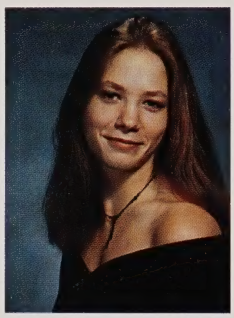
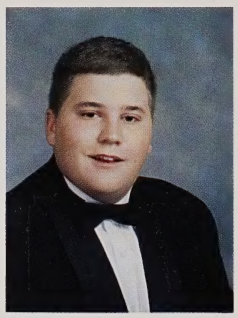
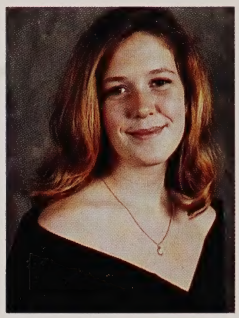
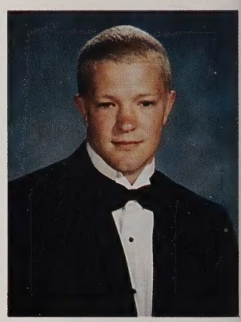



Jamie Brosius

Darren Bryan
"Success is measured by how hard you try. Don't cut corners."

Brianne Buchannan
"Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

Stephen Buonviri

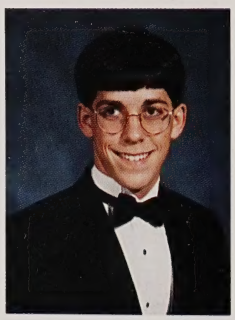
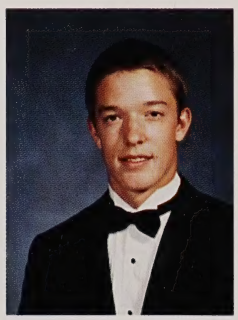
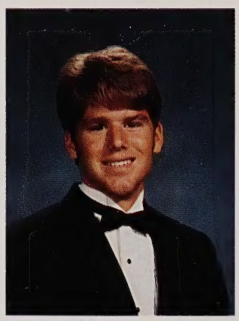





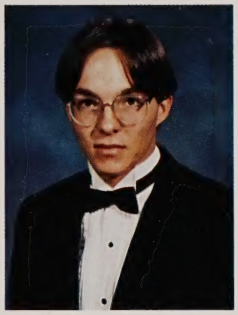
Adam Burke

Jeffrey Butler

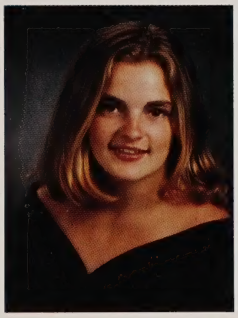
Adam Carroll
"Eve ate the apple, I swear."

Kimberly Castora
"I'm old enough to see behind me but young enough to feel my soul." -Lenny Kravitz

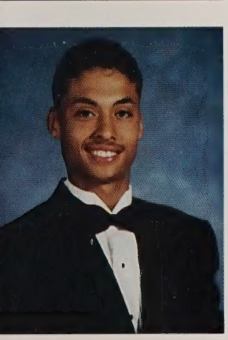




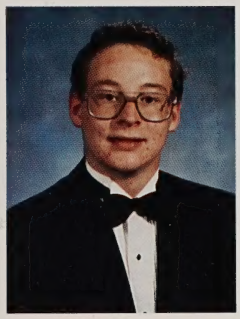


Feng Lin Chen
Stephen Clark
"Friendship is the greatest gift to give, but a best friend is the most valued treasure."

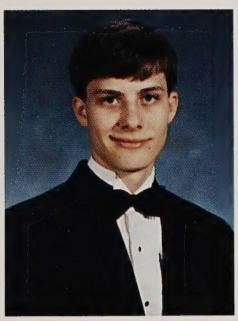


Kelly Cobb
"I was upset because I had no shoes unil I met a man who had no feet."
Elizabeth Coker
"He who has not sinned is not human. He who has not loved has not lived."





Mario Colon
Stephen Cook

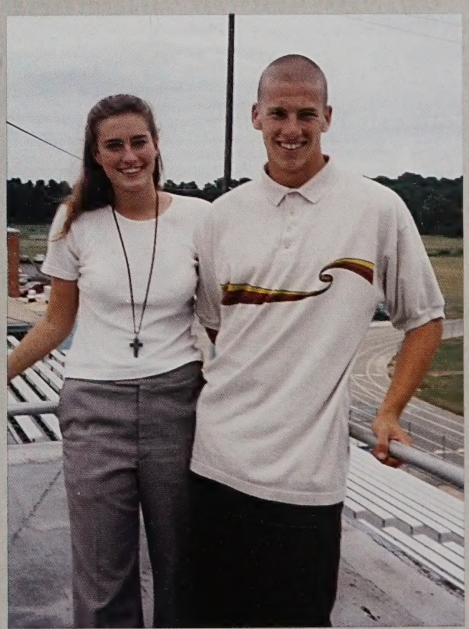


Amy Cooke
"Today is the first day of the rest of your life."
Jeffrey Cooper
"Life is like whittling. The key to perfection is knowing when to stop trying to make it better."

Charles Coulumbe
"If it wasn't for the last minute, nothing would ever get done."
Carrie Cross
"The past is dead, the future is imaginary, happiness can only be found in the eternal now moment."

Most Likely to Succeed

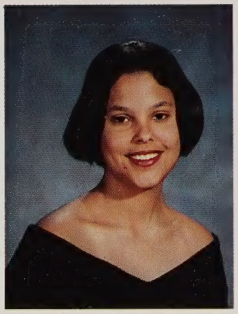
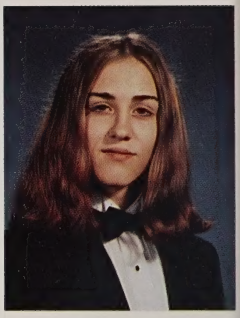
Jason Bernd and Colleen Toohey



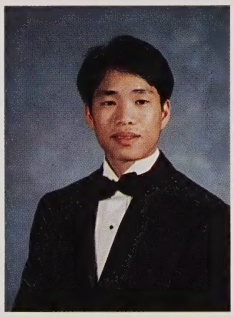
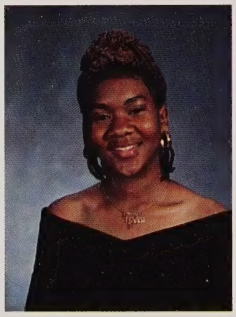
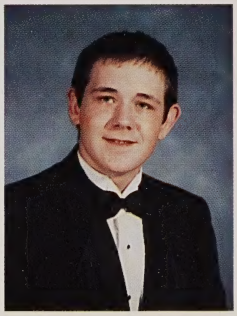
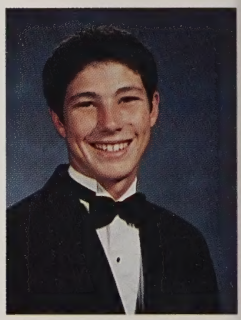
Best All Around

Laine Brammer and Robby O'Donnell

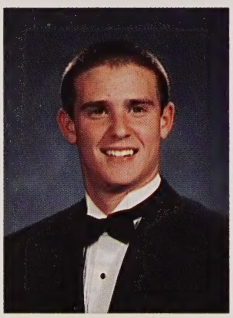
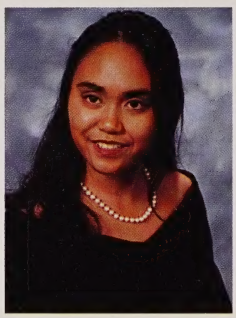
Susan Cuce
"Fat guy in a little coat! Uh...hello?"
Nicole Decherico
"I don't know if it was real or in a dream."
Tonia Diaz
George Dice
"If you see a naked polar bear walking in the woods, ask him where my dignity went."

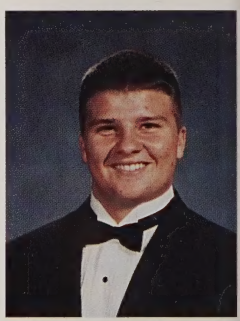



Emmanuel Dockendorf
"Time is of the essence, make the most of what you have."
Felicia Dozier
Michael Drexler
Christian Dunlap
"Just bust a move!"

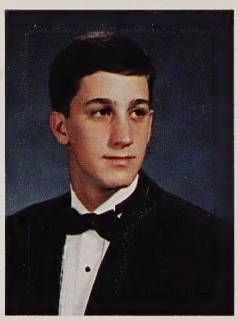
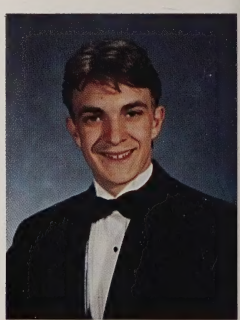





John Edwards
Claire Estoesta
"There is no greater love, says the Lord, than to lay down your life for a friend." -John 15:13
Laura Farley
"Sometimes it's a little better to travel than to just arrive." -Robert Birsig, Zen
Michael Farraher

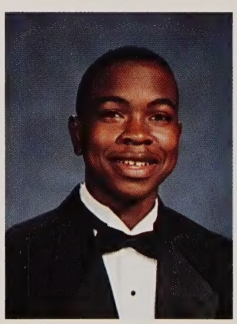
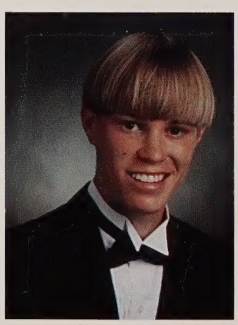





Sarah Faucette
"What I want is what I've not got, but what I need is all around me."
Elizabeth Feltes
"Something cannot touch something else without being touched itself."
Jarrett Fischer
"People who live in glass houses should not walk around naked."
Timothy Fitzwilliams

Johanna Fontenot
Brian Forbes
Christopher Foster
"How can I be so skinny and live so phat?"
Autumn Frederick
"I know the best remains to be seen, in a place beyond our wildest dreams."

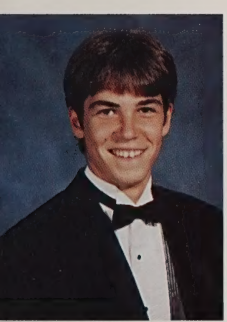



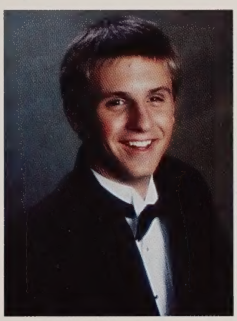
The Bug

Most people refer to "the bug" as the flu or a cold, but for seniors, "the bug" was senioritis. After twelve years of tests and homework, "the bug", senioritis, began to kick in; taking over all thoughts and most conversations and leaving students with little or no desire to study or pay attention in class. They had college applications to fill out and futures to be concerned about. Brianne Buchanan remarked, "I'm really over how every day is just like the one before. College will be awesome and I just can't wait to finally get there."

Many seniors began getting accepted into college in mid-January, and therefore no longer felt the pressure to attain high grades for college entrance. After all, once being accepted into college, would anyone feel the need to work anymore? Dan Fries commented, "Senior year is almost over, high school is almost over, I'm really having a hard time sitting through these last few months. All I've ever known will be over soon, so I'm just trying to make the most of these days with my friends at school."

No matter what time of year "the bug" attacked, seniors were ready to leave high school days and begin the next phase of their lives. Eventhough senioritis prevailed upon many, seniors could be found trying to make the last of their days the "Best of What's Around."





Daniel Fries
"Stunted conversation, censored thought, I'm completely free, at liberty, guaranteed, unless of course, you decide I'm not."
Parker Friske
"Just being park."

Mary Garrow
"Imagine no possessions, I wonder if you can, no need for greed or hunger, a brotherhood of man."
Jennifer Gellasch
"Love doesn't consist in gazing at each other but looking outward together in the same direction."

Best Dressed

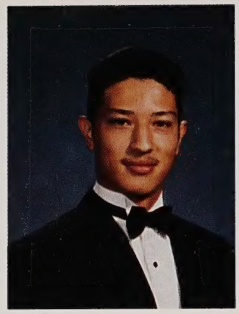
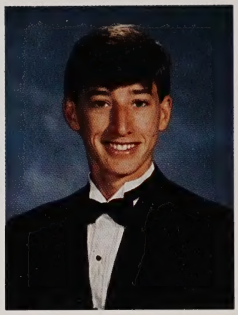
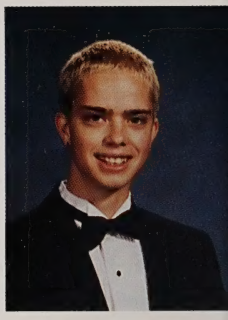
Betsy Bickers and Daniel Baxley

Antigone Georgiou
"Knowledge helps you make a living, wisdom helps you make a life."

Timothy Gilbert

Andrew Gilmer
"I scream. You scream. We all scream for ice cream."

Jesse Giltrap
"Even in a world filled with crime, I'm still proud to be your friendly neighborhood Spider-Man."

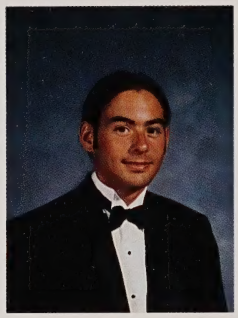




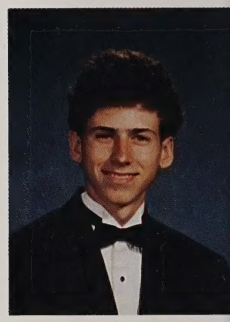
Jill Gleich
"What do you think you're thinking if you're thinking nothing?"

John Gomez

Dalia Gonzalez
"Whatever you do-give it your best, that's all the world can ask of you."

James Goswick
"Sure as we're the sticks that feed the fire. There's a place..." -Nature



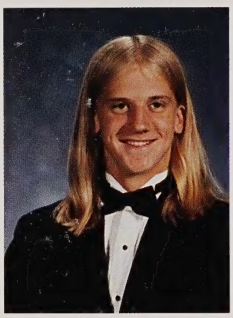
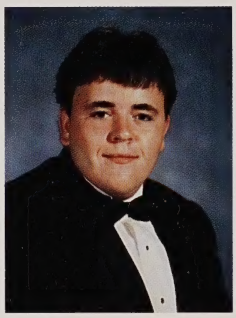
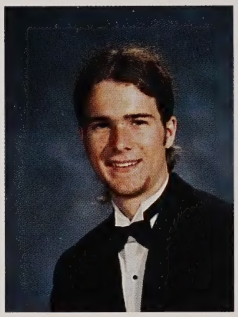


Joseph Graves

Troy Graves
"Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage." -The Beast, Peace and Love

Eric Greaves
"Life ain't nuthin but a party, everybody get loose." -311

Channing Green
"I'd rather say I'm sorry I did than I wish that I had."

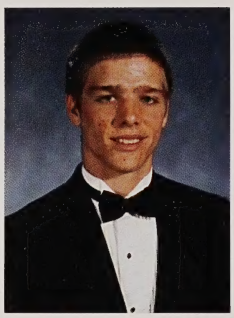




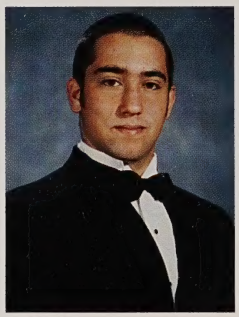
Matthew Green

Jessica Gregory

Erik Grossgold
"And in my hour of darkness, there is still a light that shines on me." -The Beatles

Nathan Gwaltney
"What momentoes will you have to record your passing?" -Los Angeles Times



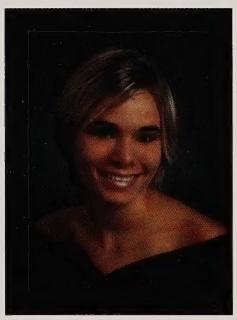


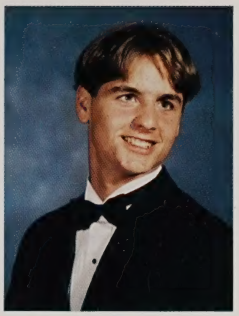
George Hale

Jamie Hall
"Imitation is suicide." -Ralph Waldo Emerson

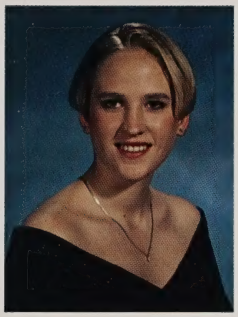
Julie Hanlon
"Open your eyes, look around you -are you satisfied with the life you're living?" -Bob Marley

Christina Hardcastle
"Truly wise people see others with their hearts and minds, not with their eyes."





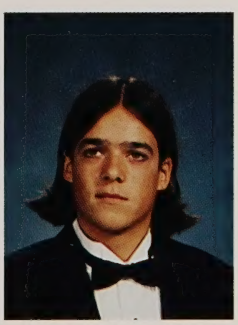
Jeremy Harold
Jamie Harris



Kathleen Harris
"Every man's got the right to decide his own destiny." -RNM
Marcie Harris
"Promise ring and Jack Purcell, I love Elvis! -Starla BC37

Jamie Hayes
"Reality is something you must rise above."
Mary Haynes
"Life is a roadtrip, so just floor it."

Tyler Henry
"I'd rather be imprisoned in a George Orwellian world than this pacified society of happy boys and girls." -Propagandhi
Kristina Hill
"Free your thoughts and watch them fly; use your heart and not your eyes." -SWV



Jacqueline Hill
Christopher Hines
"What if you found out that every secret love you've ever had, once loved you, too."

Friendliest

Juliette Barnes and Dave Throckmorton

Most Flirtatious

Kadee Kirby and Dwayne Appleton

Shinako Hirata
"Easy come, easy go!"

Sarah Holliday
"A life lived in fear is a life half-lived."

Gayle Holloway

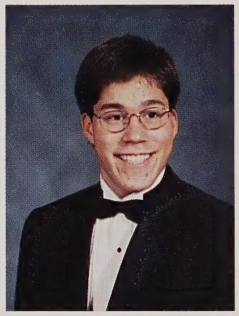
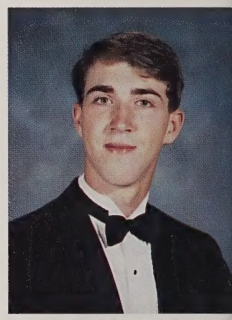
Jessica Holmes
"I'd rather have 30 minutes of wonderful than a lifetime of nothing special." -Steel Magnolias

Jennifer Horton

Violetta Horvath
"Learning the English language."

Wayne Howlett
"You can't do anything about the length of life, but you can do something about its width and depth."

Andrew Hucks
"Well, I believe in God and the only thing I'm afraid of is Caesar Soze."

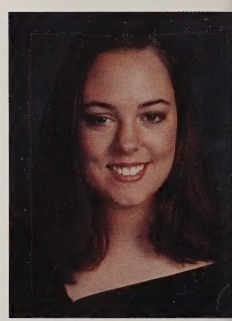



Kelly Hudgens
"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

Rion Hunter
"Nothing pains some people more than having to think." -Martin Luther King, Jr.

Jennifer Hutchins

Melissa Irving
"I could've missed the pain, but I'da had to miss the dance." -Garth Brooks

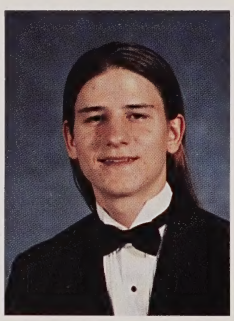
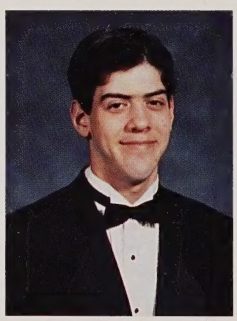
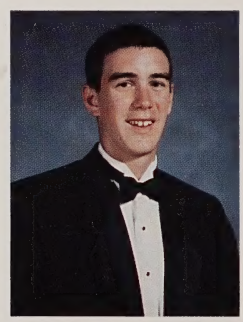


Robert Jackson

Jason Jacobson
"Time is the most valuable coin in your life. Don't let others spend it for you. - Carl Sandburg

Andrew Jaeckle

Patricia James
"What you are now is the beginning of what you will become."

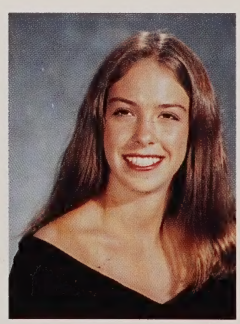
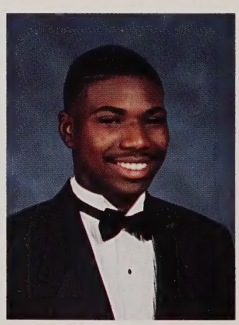
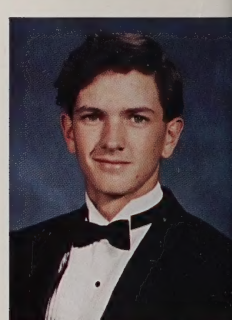




Adrienne Johnson

Kittle Johnson
"Better a heart full of love than a mind filled with knowledge."

William Johnson
"Have the strength of a pitbull. Do not give up, do what has to be done."

Kevin Jones

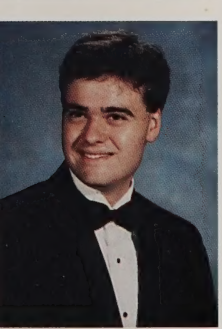
Senior Privileges

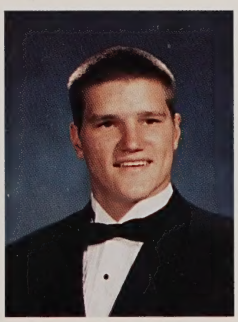
After so many years of waiting, one of the first issues seniors were concerned with was that of senior privileges. Would new privileges be grantes? Would the previous ones still apply? And finally, would senior privileges still exist? Every year these questions would be answered by the senior class sponsors and the administration.

One of the best benefits was obtaining a parking sticker before any juniors or sophomores got theirs. While many underclassmen were restricted to parking at the Camelot Nursing Home or a friends house nearby, seniors enjoyed driving right into the student parking.

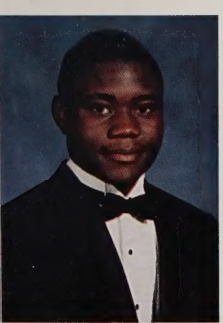
Only seniors were allowed to eat in the brand new outside ampitheater during their lunch bells. While some obtained permission to arrive at school after first bell, allowing them an extra hour of sleep in the morning, many other seniors enjoyed the privilege of leaving before seventh or even sixth bell.

Looking forward to Field Day and Grad Fest kept most seniors going throughout the year. Field Day was held the day before Senior Prom with a variety of outside activities and no classes. Casinos with play money, swimming, and velcro jumping were some of the great activities offered at Grad Fest the final night of their high school - Graduation.





Brandon Joslin
Thomas Juskevich
"If you roll the dice, you take what you get."



Thierry Kabuya
Megan Kaminski
"It is better to die on your feet than to live on your knees." -Dolores Ibarruri

Most Intellectual

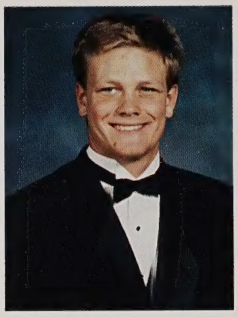
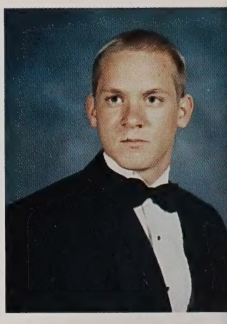
Jeff Bernd
and Helena Machaj

Fragitsa Katogiritis
"I must have been thrown on earth for a reason."

Tara Keller
"Disarm you with a smile!"

Almer Keynen

Mark Kickhofel
"Liquor will leave you breathless, drugs will leave you senseless, Jesus won't leave you regardless."

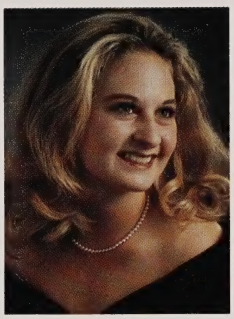
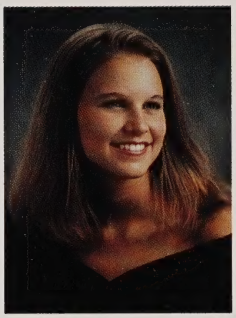



Cathryn Kirby
"Follow your own star: make lots of memories! Let your life make a difference in everyone you meet."

Kelly Knowles
"...Lately waking up I'm not sure where I've been."

Ivory Knowles-Carter

Kristyn Konich
"If you want to see the rainbow, you have to put up with the rain."

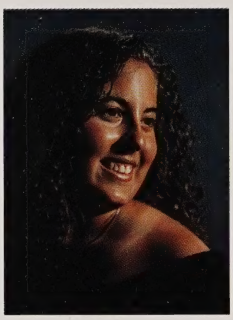
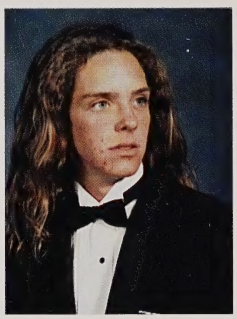
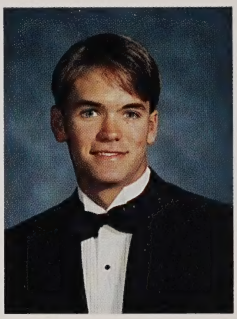
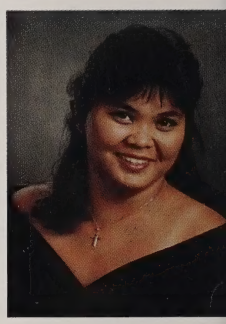



Melissa Kornblau
"We're all shades of gray. I look at you for you, you see me for me."

Stephen Labocetta
"Keep on dreaming boy 'cause when you stop dreaming it's time to die."

Matthew Large

Anniemae Larson
"The great aim of education is not knowledge, but action." -Shannon Hoon

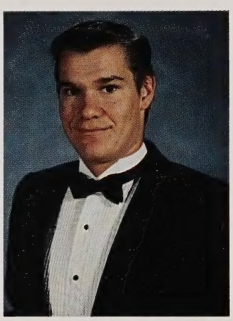





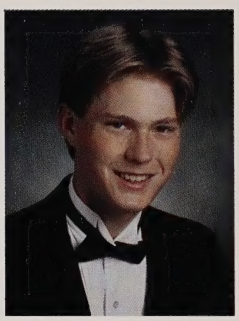
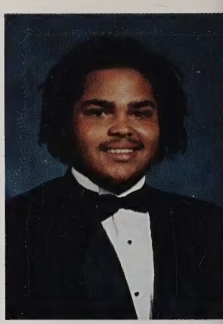
Thaddeus Laskowski
"You should never judge those who try and fail, but judge those who fail to try."

Melinda Laster

Adam Lebsack
"No more promise, no more sorrow. No longer will I follow." -Smashing Pumpkins

Steven Lee
"If you ain't wit me, then forget me." Words of the Method Man



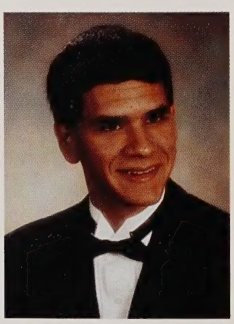



Scott Levin
"The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." FDR

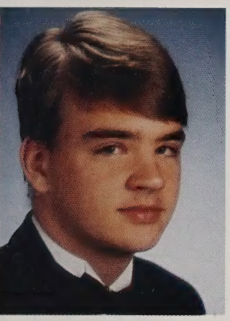
Lyndsay Liebler
"My mistakes are my greatest heartaches, but I wouldn't be who I am without them,"

Phaly Lim

Kristen Livingsten

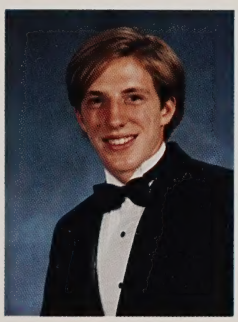


Jennifer Loane
"We zijn d'r bijna, we zijn d'r bijna, maar wij zija d'r niet heelemaal."
Marci Lockamy



Patrick Lonning
Lesley Lovett

Kathleen Lynch
"Not to touch the earth, not to see the sun, nothing left to do but run, run, run."
Sarah Lynch-Walker
"Censorship causes blindness."

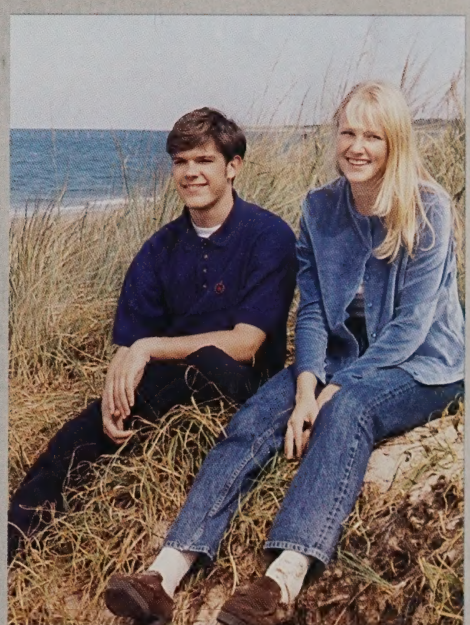


Melissa MacDonald
"When you point one accusing finger at someone, three of your own fingers point back at you." -Nizer
Hunter Mach
"And you shall know the truth, and the truth will make you free." -John 8:32

Helena Machaj
"Our greatest glory is not in never falling but in rising every time we fall."
Marielle Mackin
"The sky is the limit when the ocean is hiding. Keep all your secrets locked inside." -Tripping Daisy

Best Eyes

Matt Large and Samantha Bethman



Best Smile

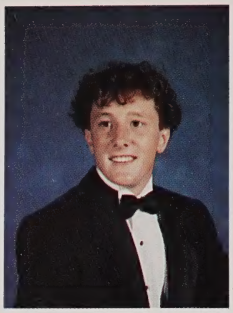
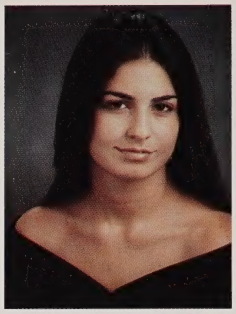
Brandon Walker and Gayle Holloway

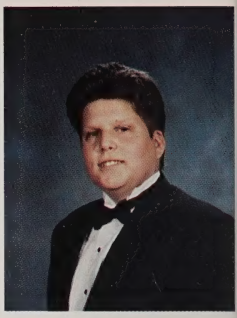
Kyle Magyar
"In spite of all my Sunday Learnin' toward the Vat, I kept on turnin'."

Mina Mahini
"Man, you're crazy thinkin' you can phase me." -A Tribe Called Quest

Melissa Majors

Richard Mallison
"Don't follow the path but go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

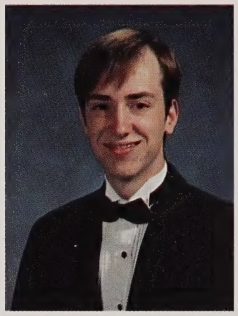
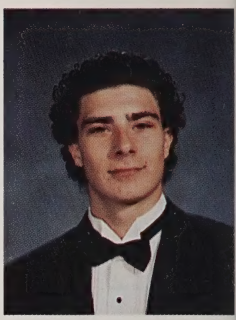


Christine Marlowe
"Knowledge is the accumulation of things learned, Wisdom is the ability to use knowledge to guide others."

Breigh Marshall
" Achieve peace within yourself; then tackle the world! Seize all possibilities in life..."

Michael Marshall
"18 words! What can I possibly say of any importance that is only 18 words?"

Andrew Mathis

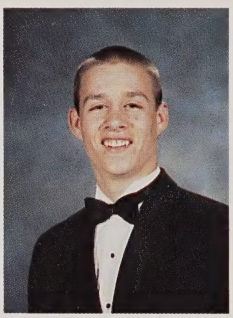



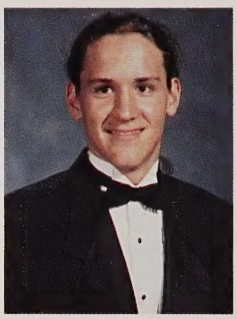
Eric Matson

Cassandra May
"And when the night is cloudy there is still a light that shines on me..."

David McReynolds
"People who live in glass houses shouldn't walk around in their underwear." -Fat Albert

April Messina



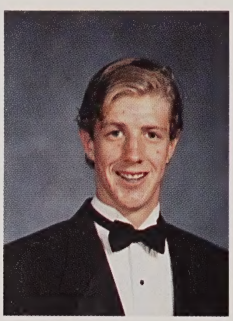


Michael Metric

Ronnie Mills

Deana Minehan

Manda Minehan

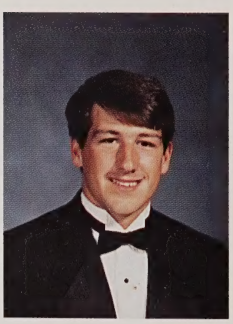
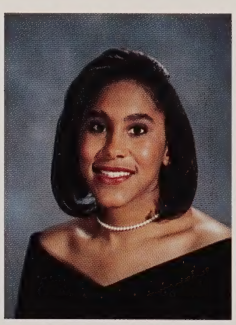
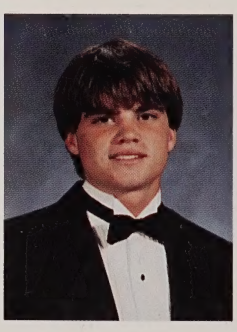
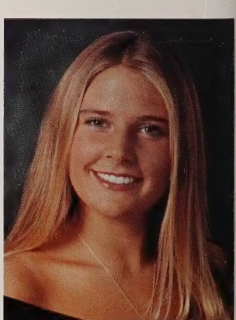


Dorman Miner
"Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off the goal."

Lacy Mitchell
"Some will say I can't, some will say don't, I say, here I am and I can."

Adam Montgomery

Dawn Morris
"You can't become who you were meant to be if you remain who you are."

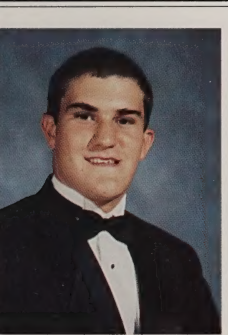
Sweet, Sweet Memories

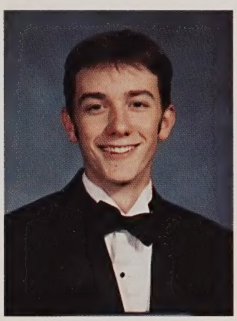
As the seniors completed their final school days, memories of the past four years flashed before them. Although each year was different than the one that came before, they were always striving to have the best, be the best, and do their best for their fellow classmates.

The freshman year began with many changes; a new school, faculty, and new students. Being the first freshman class in many long years, students were privileged with new desks, new paint, and best of all, new friends from other schools. They had new goals and a renewed spirit that helped them to survive and adjust.

During sophomore and junior years, students began to focus on schoolwork and community involvement. As the sophomre year came to a close, many frantically tried to bring up their GPA's and SAT scores. Students had to strive to achieve better scores which they knew mattered in their senior year. The junior year was a year of tests, memories of Ring Dance and anxiously looking forward to the final year of schooling.

With unity and spirit, the class of 1997 entered the fall semester ready to make new and lasting memories. The tailgate party, senior cruise, prom, and homecoming were only a few of the events seniors would remember fondly.





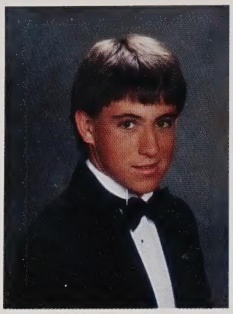
Adam Morrisette
"Life is not tried, it is merely survived if you are standing outside the fire."
Todd Morton
"I've got to have kaya now...right on to the reals, death to the fakers! Peace."

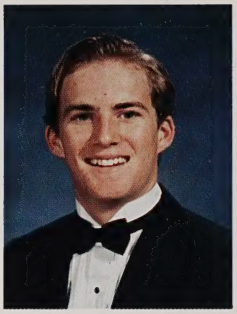
Coltne Muldrow
"Plan your future carefully, because that's where you will spend the rest of your life."-Church of God
Sara Nash
"Smile it increases your face value!" -Steel Magnolias

Most School Spirited

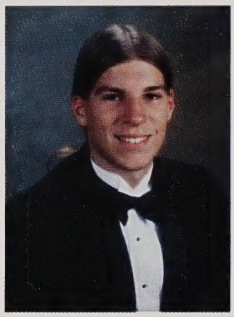
Elizabeth Batdorf and Steve Gallagher

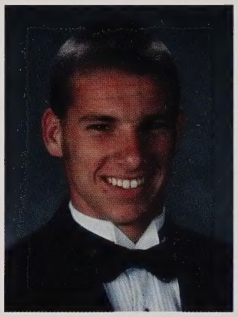
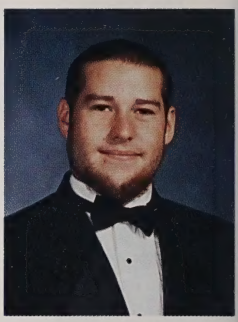
Nicholas Nestor
Samantha Newsome
Eric Newton
Christina Nichols
"Not everything that is faced can be changed, but nothing can be changed until it is faced."





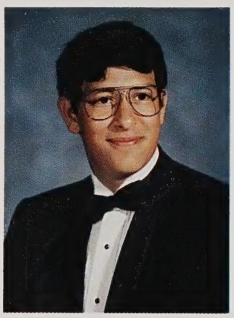
Jason Nichols
"Fish who keep on swimming are the first to jump stream." -311
Carrie Niemann
"Love is the glue that holds the universe together."
Robert O'Donnell
"Judge your success by the degree that you're enjoying peace, health, and love."
Charles Oldaker

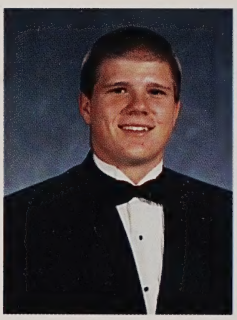
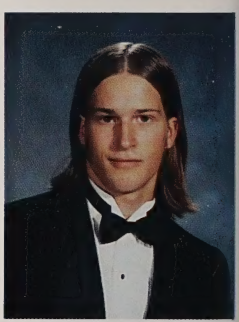


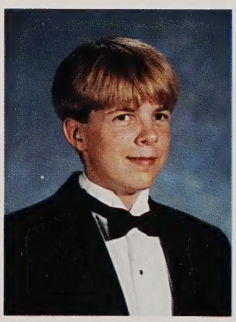
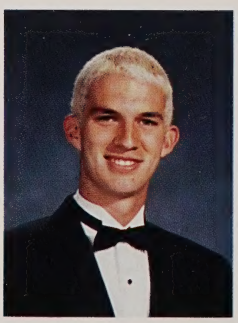
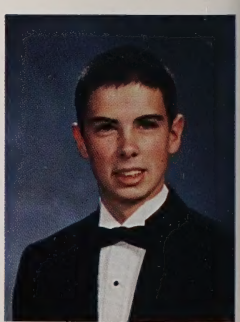
Jeannette Ortt
"Speed limit? What speed limit?"
Lisa Owen
"Education is what you have when all you have been forced to remember has been forgotten." -Mark Twain
Chandra Owens
"I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me." -Philip 4:13
Shannon Owens

Luca Paoletti
"There is no failure except in no longer trying."
Electa Park
"The time has come the walrus said, 'to talk of many things...'" -Tweedledee
Nicholas Pogue
Scott Poteet
"Go ahead you can laugh all you want, that's one of my philosophies." -Ben Folds

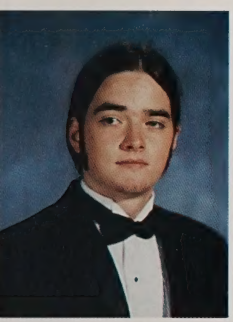


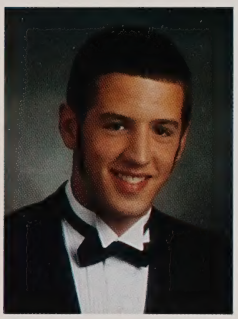



Carrie Prass
"Life begets life. Energy creates energy. It is by spending oneself that one becomes rich."
Kent Pruett
Christopher Quade
"Nothing is set in stone there are other ways to get to what you want."
Anthony Qualtieri

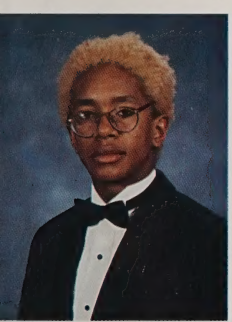




Natasha Quidley
"A smile is the whisper of a laugh."
Kristina Raburn

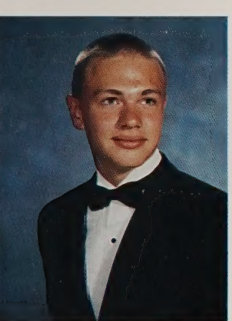




Kenneth Radford
Christopher Raines
"The key to self-liberation is abstinence from the destructive escapism of intoxication."



Osiris Rankin
Jennifer Reed



Dominik Reichenmiller
"When the going gets tough, I'll go back to Germany."
Hollis Rifkin
"Nobody ever mentions the weather can make or break your day."

David Ritter
Stacy Roach
"I've been marked by my maker. A peculiar display."

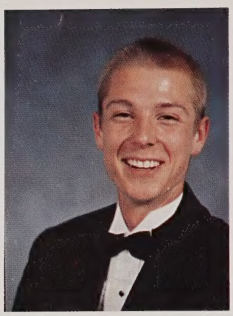
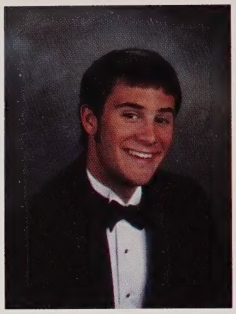
Shyest

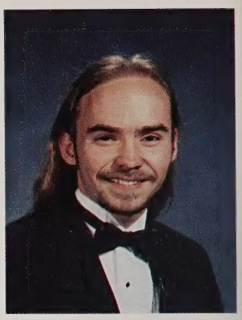
Evander Wright and Jeanette Ortt

Cutest

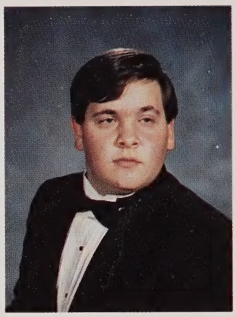
Ryan Hines and Lyndsay Liebler

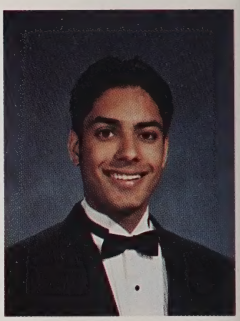
Daniel Reade
William Robbins
"It's not the dog in the fight, it's the fight in the dog."
Christine Roberts
"If you never did, you should. These things are fun and fun is good!" -Dr. Seuss
Lucas Roberts
"From where the sun stands, I shall fight no more forever." -Chief Roberts

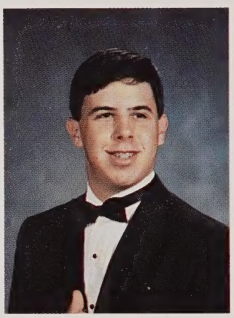
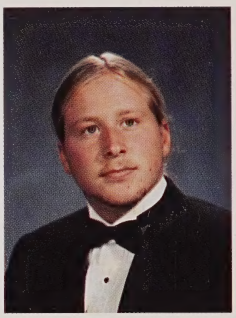
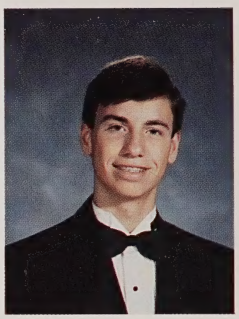
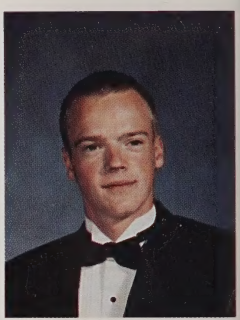


Melissa Ross
Sean Rubbo
"Ich liebe Rubbo." -Sam Giles
Shannon Rush
Sunil Samtani
"If you want a real man, come to me."

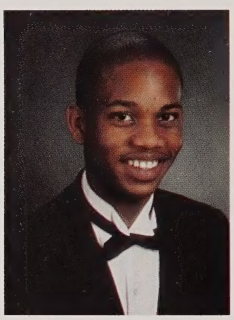
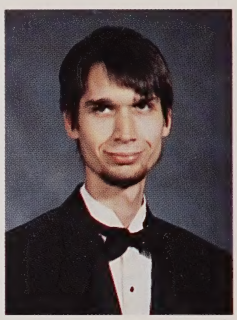
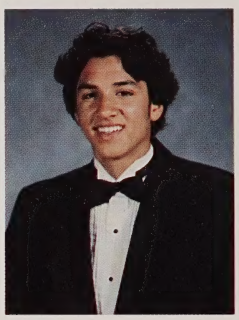




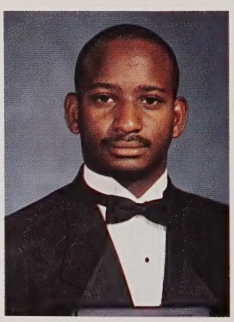
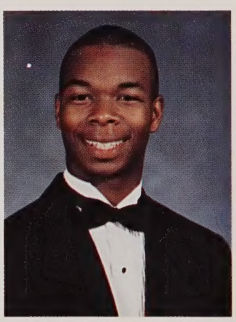
Eric Sawyer
Matthew Schwartz
Timothy Scott
Daniel Seay
"Don't let what you own take control of your life."

Miltavis Simmons
"Shuckey-Duckey, Quack quack! It's finally over and I'm never coming back."
Benjamin Simpson
"The sun comes up and I'm all wahed out, is this what Deaner was talking about."
Paul Smartschan
"Don't watch every step, who cares if you fall."
Deneka Smith
"Take advantage of what you have today cause tomorrow might not be there."

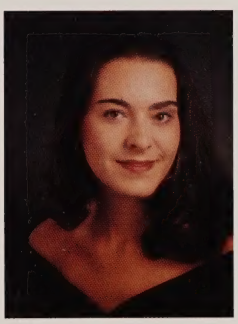
Elija Smith
Elvis Smith
Nichole Smith
"If you try there's nothing else to do but succeed."
Veronica Smith
"Peace, love, and harmony; live by those words and you will live in happiness."

Top Ten Reasons Seniors Rule

10. Parking Stickers
9. Exemption from exams
8. They're bigger
7. They're better
6. They're outtie on June 15!
5. They're phat and all that
4. Tailgate PARTY
3. Gradfest
2. Senior Prom
1. GRADUATION!

Vinithia Smith
Melissa Stevens
"Live your life as an exclamation, not an explanation." -Life's Little Instruction Book



Stephanie Strattman
"You have not converted a man because you have silenced him." -John Morley
Zachary Strausser

Most Talented

Nate Gwaltney and Sara Nash

Susanna Sumerlin

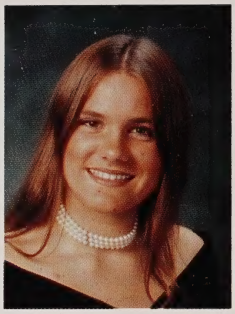
Kerry Summs

"There will be an answer, let it be." -The Beatles

Jennifer Sutherland

"I get funky like diaper rash." -Beastie Boys

Allison Sutor



Leola Swart

"Don't wanna preach, don't wanna give advice, but the music's playing and all we're saying is come along."

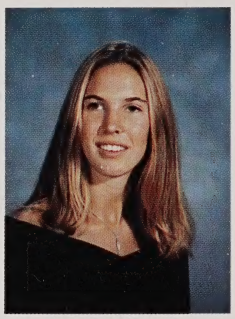
Heather Swientek

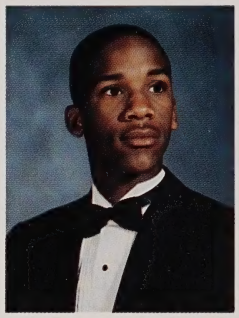
"Instead of following, go where there's not one and leave trails."

Douglas Taylor

"I'm sick of all the wack people getting all the superlatives. I need love, too."

Miranda Taysom





Angela Thompson

"For by grace you are saved through faith; not by yourselves, but by the gift of God."

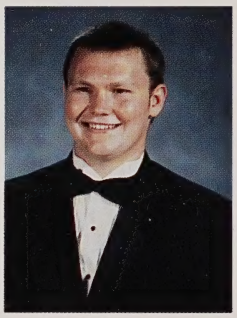
David Throckmorton

"I'm a lover not a fighter."

Julie Tillerson

Adeline Tisdale

"To live is to fly, so shake the dust off your wings and the sleep out of your eyes."



Colleen Toohey

"The less I seek my source of definitive, the closer I am to fine."

Lottie Trevino

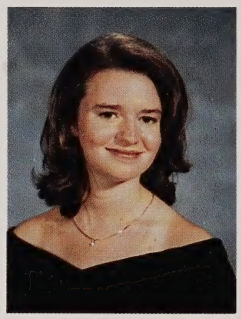
"Friendship, love, and happiness."

Dareth Trice

"In this great future, you can't forget your past." -Bob Marley

Rachel Turner

"People will come and go but Jesus remains the way." -Plankeye



Steven Tyler

Adriane Wagner

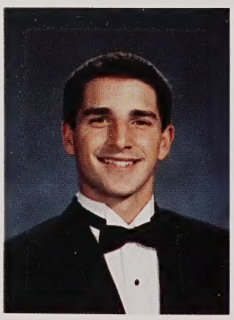
"A smile only lasts a moment, but the memory sometimes lasts a lifetime. Alohaka'kou we had a time."

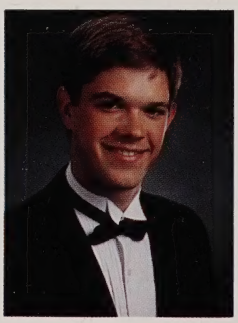
Brandon Walker]

"Put your hope in heaven, and you'll never be the same." -Plankeye

Adrianne Ward

"We all make choices in our lives, it's up to you to make the right one."

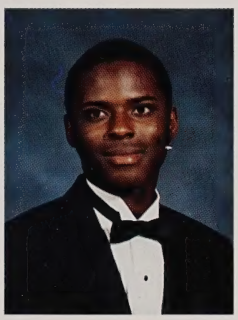




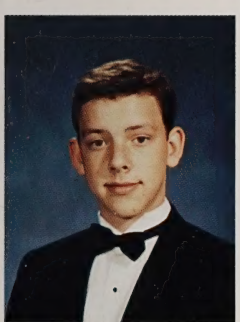
Casandra Ward
"Despite the trials and tribulations I've endured and I've overcome, now I'm successfully here my last year."
Danielle Ward

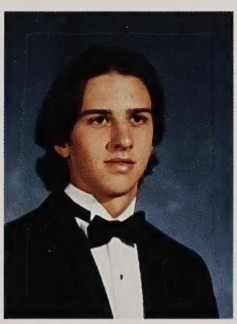
Rachelle Weber
"Change your thoughts and you change your world."
Dana White
"Everything that's good to me, isn't good for me."

Melissa Whitehurst
"Once divided... nothing left to subtract...some words spoken can't be taken back." -Jeff Amenx
Lindsay Widener
"There are no points for second place."



Rachel Wilkinson
Antoine Wilson





Richard Wingenfeld
"Practice does not make you perfect, just better than them."
Benjamin Woods
"You need eyes to see, ears to hear, a mouth to speak, but a heart to do it all."

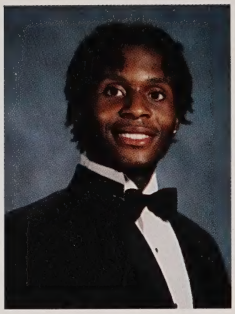
Class Clown

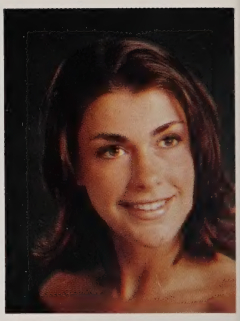
Kyle Magyar and Allison Sutor

Most Talkative

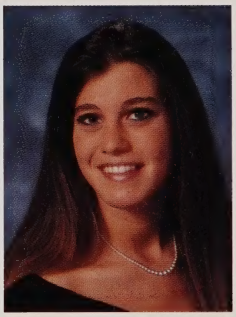
Shaina Kelley and Jarret Fischer

Alfie Worthy
Evander Wright
Rebecca Wynne
"If we don't hang together, we will most assuredly hang separately." -Ben Franklin
Elizabeth Yax
"The key to life is to be kind."

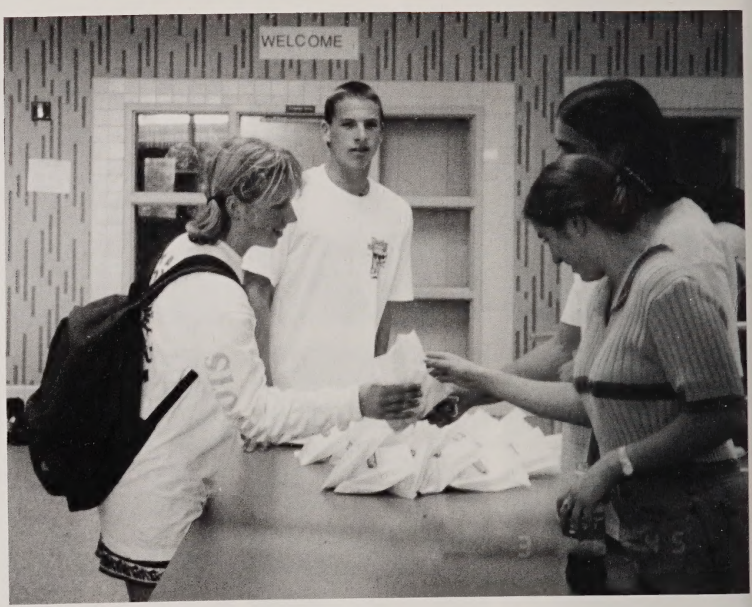




Jessica Zelig
"Oh the places you'll go, oh the people you'll see." -Dr. Seuss
Krista Zinner
Melissa Zitron
"Don't say goodbye, say 'see ya later', because goodbye is forever."
Brandi Roberts



As coach Callahan proudly watches, Hope Breckenridge, Elizabeth Batdorf, Mary Douglas-Simpson, Jodi Bierman, and Helena Machaj receive recognition for their contributions to the Varsity Field Hockey Team. On the afternoon of their last home game, senior athletes were recognized for their team participation.



Showing support for the senior class, Carrie Niemann and Rob O'Donnell purchase these delicious treats from Ryan Hines and Kristyn Konich. Selling Otis Spunkmeyer cookies during seventh bell and after school was a very profitable fund-raiser for the seniors.

"Best of What's Around"

Hey my friend, It seems your eyes are troubled, Care to share your time with me Would you say you're feeling low and so, A good idea would be to get it off your mind See, you and me have a better time than most can dream Have it better than the best So can pull on through Whatever tears at us Whatever holds us down And if nothing can be done, We'll make the best of what's around Turns out not where but who you're with That really matters And hurts not much when you're around And if you hold on tight do what you think is your thing You may find you're missing all the rest Well she run up into the light surprised Her arms are open Her Mind's eye is Seeing things from a Better side than most can dream On a clearer road I feel Oh you could say she's safe Whatever tears at her Whatever holds her down And if nothing can be done, she'll make the best of what's around Turns out not where but what you think That really matters We'll make the best of what's around.

-The Dave Matthews Band

Most Athletic

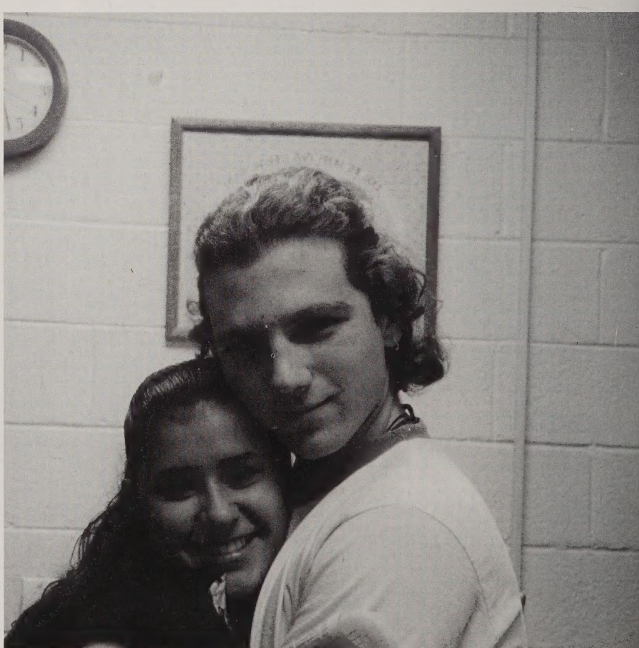
Alija Pittenger and Steve Tyler

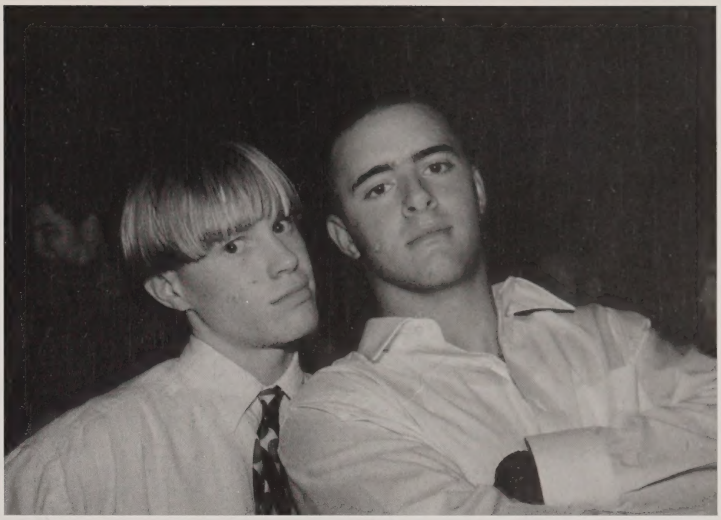
Seniors

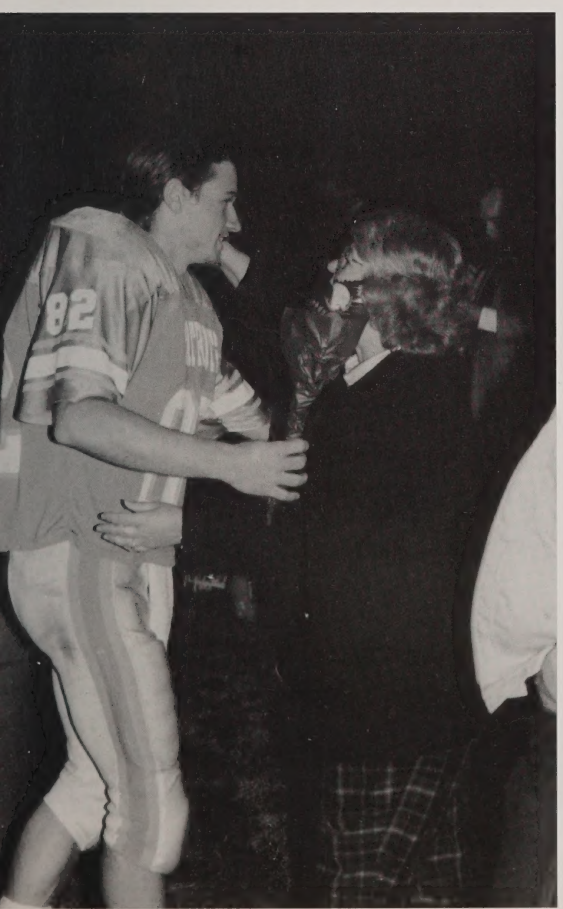
"The Best of What's Around"

Seniors

Class of 1997







Jennifer Ackerman
Jonathan Aikin
Jennifer Ambler
Ruth Anderson
Marley Anderson
Megann Andrews
Jennifer Arsuaga

Jamie Askew
Katie Baines
Bryan Baker
Ryan Balsly
Joshua Barbini
Adam Barone
Alethea Beans

Edmund Becker
Sara Bell
Ilyas Beloued
Katherine Benson
Kathryn Benson
Scott Benson
Mike Berlucchi

Jessica Berry
Siobhan Bertolino
Kathy Besal
Elizabeth Biggin
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Dustin Bonds
Jessica Bowles
Rachel Bradley
Zachary Bradley
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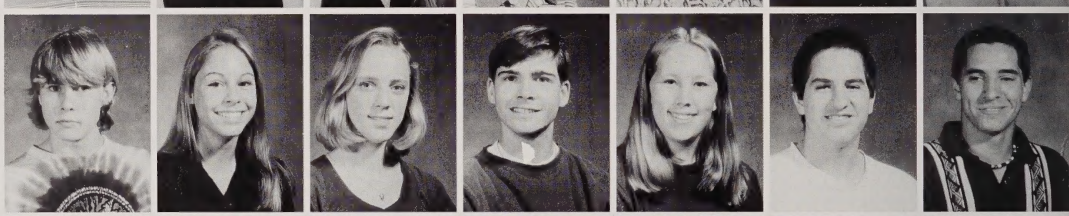

Katie Brett
David Brooks
Tim Broscious
Marie Brown
Megan Brown
Vanita Brown
Courtney Bruce

Christal Bullock
George Burnson
Abigail Butkus
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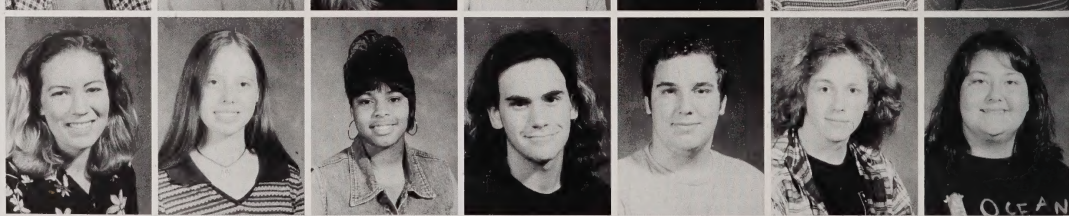
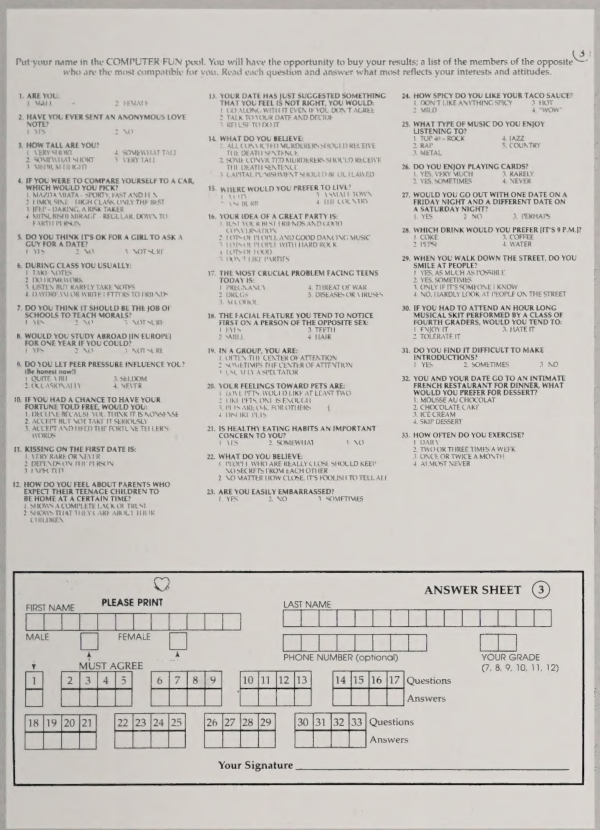
Stacy Chartrand



Computer Dating



Put your name in the COMPUTER FUN pool. You will have the opportunity to buy your results: a list of the members of the opposite who are the most compatible for you. Read each question and answer what most reflects your interests and attitudes.

1. ARE YOU:
1. SMALL 2. MEDIUM 3. TALL

2. HAVE YOU EVER SENT AN ANONYMOUS LOVE NOTE?
1. YES 2. NO

3. HOW TALL ARE YOU?
1. VERY SHORT 2. SOMEWHAT SHORT 3. MEDIUM HEIGHT 4. SOMEWHAT TALL 5. VERY TALL

4. IF YOU WERE TO COMPARE YOURSELF TO A CAR, WHICH WOULD YOU PICK?
1. MAZDA MIATA - SPORTY, FAST AND FUN
2. FORD ESCORT - HIGH CLASS, ONLY THE BEST
3. JEEP - DARING, A RISK TAKER
4. SUBARU BRAT - REGULAR, DOWN TO EARTH PERSON

5. DO YOU THINK IT'S OK FOR A GIRL TO ASK A GUY FOR A DATE?
1. YES 2. NO 3. NOT SURE

6. DURING CLASS YOU USUALLY:
1. TAKE NOTES
2. DO HOMEWORK
3. LISTEN, BUT RARELY TAKE NOTES
4. DAYDREAM OR WRITE LETTERS TO FRIENDS

7. DO YOU THINK IT SHOULD BE THE JOB OF SCHOOLS TO TEACH MORALS?
1. YES 2. NO 3. NOT SURE

8. WOULD YOU STUDY ABROAD (IN EUROPE) FOR ONE YEAR IF YOU COULD?
1. YES 2. NO 3. NOT SURE

9. DO YOU LET PEER PRESSURE INFLUENCE YOU? (be honest now!)
1. QUITE A BIT 2. SOMETIMES 3. SELDOM 4. OCCASIONALLY 5. NEVER

10. IF YOU HAD A CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR FORTUNE TOLD FREE, WOULD YOU:
1. DECEIVE BECAUSE YOU THINK IT IS NONSENSE
2. ACCEPT BUT NOT TAKE IT SERIOUSLY
3. ACCEPT AND HOPE THE FORTUNE TELLER'S WORDS

11. KISSING ON THE FIRST DATE IS:
1. VERY RARE OR NEVER
2. DEPENDS ON THE PERSON
3. HAPPENS!!!

12. HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT PARENTS WHO EXPECT THEIR TEENAGE CHILDREN TO BE HOME AT A CERTAIN TIME?
1. SHOWS A COMPLETE LACK OF TRUST
2. SHOWS THAT THEY CARE ABOUT THEIR CHILDREN

13. YOUR DATE HAS JUST SUGGESTED SOMETHING THAT YOU FEEL IS NOT RIGHT. YOU WOULD:
1. GO ALONG WITH IT EVEN IF YOU DON'T AGREE
2. TALK TO YOUR DATE AND DECIDE
3. REFUSE TO DO IT

14. WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE:
1. ALL CONVICTED MURDERERS SHOULD RECEIVE THE DEATH SENTENCE
2. NONE CONVICTED MURDERERS SHOULD RECEIVE THE DEATH SENTENCE
3. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT SHOULD BE USE, I AM FED

15. WHERE WOULD YOU PREFER TO LIVE?
1. [illegible] 3. A SMALL TOWN
2. [illegible] 4. THE COUNTRY

16. YOUR IDEA OF A GREAT PARTY IS:
1. JUST YOUR BEST FRIENDS AND GOOD CONVERSATION
2. LOTS OF PEOPLE AND GOOD DANCING MUSIC
3. LOTS OF PEOPLE WITH HARD ROCK
4. LOTS OF FOOD
5. DON'T LIKE PARTIES

17. THE MOST CRUCIAL PROBLEM FACING TEENS TODAY IS:
1. PREGNANCY 4. THREAT OF WAR
2. DRUGS 5. DISEASES OR VIRUSES
3. ALCOHOL

18. THE FACIAL FEATURE YOU TEND TO NOTICE FIRST ON A PERSON OF THE OPPOSITE SEX:
1. EYES 3. TEETH
2. SMILE 4. HAIR

19. IN A GROUP, YOU ARE:
1. OFTEN THE CENTER OF ATTENTION
2. SOMETIMES THE CENTER OF ATTENTION
3. USUALLY A SPECTATOR

20. YOUR FEELINGS TOWARD PETS ARE:
1. I LOVE PETS, WOULD LIKE AT LEAST TWO
2. I LIKE PETS, ONE IS ENOUGH
3. PETS ARE OKAY, FOR OTHERS
4. I DISLIKE PETS

21. IS HEALTHY EATING HABITS AN IMPORTANT CONCERN TO YOU?
1. YES 2. SOMEWHAT 3. NO

22. WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE:
1. PEOPLE WHO ARE REALLY CLOSE SHOULD KEEP NO SECRETS FROM EACH OTHER
2. NO MATTER HOW CLOSE, IT'S FOOLISH TO TELL ALL

23. ARE YOU EASILY EMBARRASSED?
1. YES 2. NO 3. SOMETIMES

24. HOW SPICY DO YOU LIKE YOUR TACO SAUCE?
1. DON'T LIKE ANYTHING SPICY 3. HOT
2. MILD 4. "WOW"

25. WHAT TYPE OF MUSIC DO YOU ENJOY LISTENING TO?
1. TOP 40 - ROCK 4. JAZZ
2. RAP 5. COUNTRY
3. METAL

26. DO YOU ENJOY PLAYING CARDS?
1. YES, VERY MUCH 3. RARELY
2. YES, SOMETIMES 4. NEVER

27. WOULD YOU GO OUT WITH ONE DATE ON A FRIDAY NIGHT AND A DIFFERENT DATE ON A SATURDAY NIGHT?
1. YES 2. NO 3. PERHAPS

28. WHICH DRINK WOULD YOU PREFER IT'S 9 P.M.?
1. COKE 3. COFFEE
2. PEPSI 4. WATER

29. WHEN YOU WALK DOWN THE STREET, DO YOU SMILE AT PEOPLE?
1. YES, AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE
2. YES, SOMETIMES
3. ONLY IF IT'S SOMEONE I KNOW
4. NO, I RARELY LOOK AT PEOPLE ON THE STREET

30. IF YOU HAD TO ATTEND AN HOUR LONG MUSICAL SKIT PERFORMED BY A CLASS OF FOURTH GRADERS, WOULD YOU TEND TO:
1. ENJOY IT 3. HATE IT
2. TOLERATE IT

31. DO YOU FIND IT DIFFICULT TO MAKE INTRODUCTIONS?
1. YES 2. SOMETIMES 3. NO

32. YOU AND YOUR DATE GO TO AN INTIMATE FRENCH RESTAURANT FOR DINNER. WHAT WOULD YOU PREFER FOR DESSERT?
1. MOUSSE AU CHOCOLAT
2. CHOCOLATE CAKE
3. ICE CREAM
4. SKIP DESSERT

33. HOW OFTEN DO YOU EXERCISE?
1. DAILY
2. TWO OR THREE TIMES A WEEK
3. ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH
4. ALMOST NEVER

ANSWER SHEET (3)

PLEASE PRINT

FIRST NAME LAST NAME

MALE FEMALE

PHONE NUMBER (optional)

YOUR GRADE (7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12)

MUST AGREE

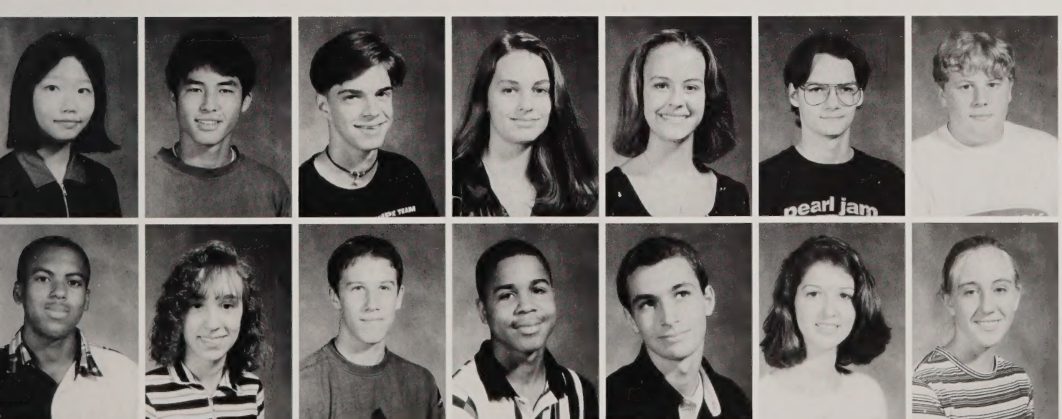
1 | 2 3 4 5 | 6 7 8 9 | 10 11 12 13 | 14 15 16 17 Questions / Answers

18 19 20 21 | 22 23 24 25 | 26 27 28 29 | 30 31 32 33 Questions / Answers

Your Signature _____

Students fill out questionnaires like this one to find their perfect matches. The computer printouts not only told students their most compatible members of the opposite sex, but also their least compatible matches and best friends.

How would you describe yourself? The choices to select from were Very Tall, Tall, Medium, Short, or Very Short. Should a guy expect a kiss on the first date? As students pondered over questions like these, the Junior Class looked on with dollar signs in their eyes. These ultimate match-makers depended on their computer dating sevice to be the most profitable fundraiser for the year. After filling out an extensive questionnaire, lonely hearts anxiously awaited the day that the results were returned. For a small fee, students could obtain a printout informing them of with whom they were most compatiable. Ingeniously, the Junior Class planned this fundraiser around the most romantic holiday of the year: Valentine's Day. With high hopes and wishful thinking, these Cupids-in-disguise gave a valiant attempt at spreading a little bit of love and happiness throughout the participating student body.



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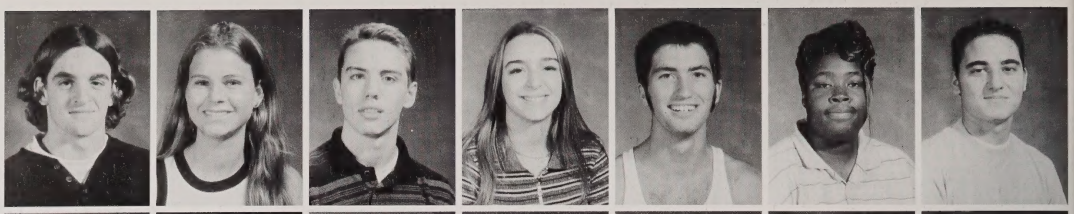

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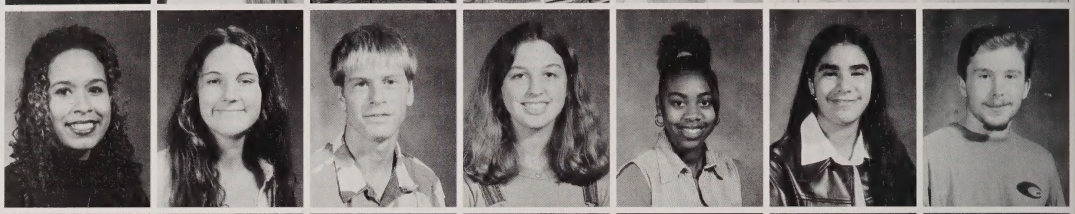

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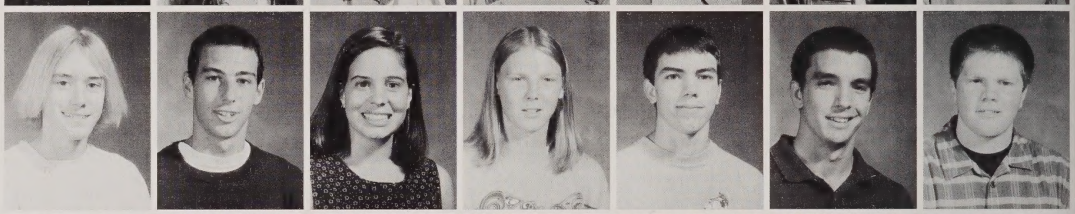

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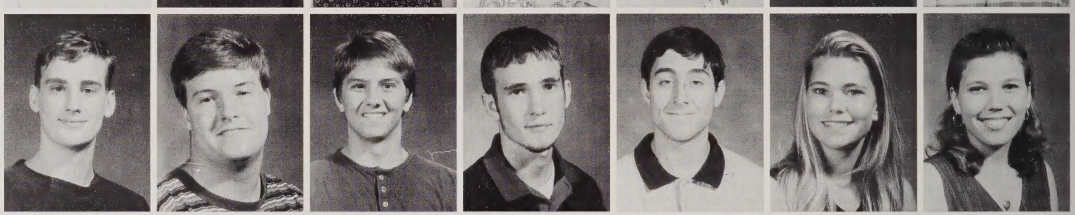

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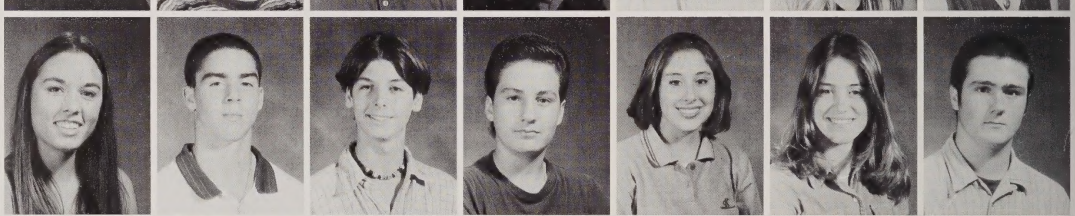

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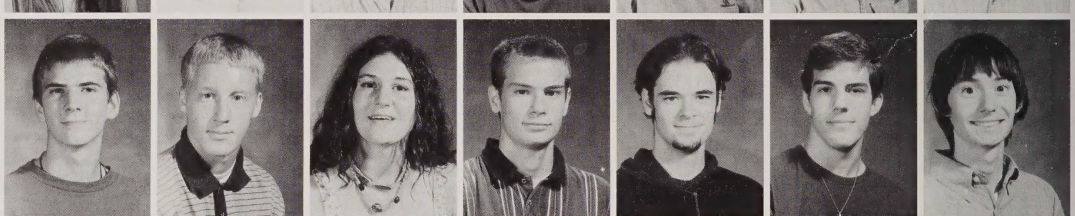

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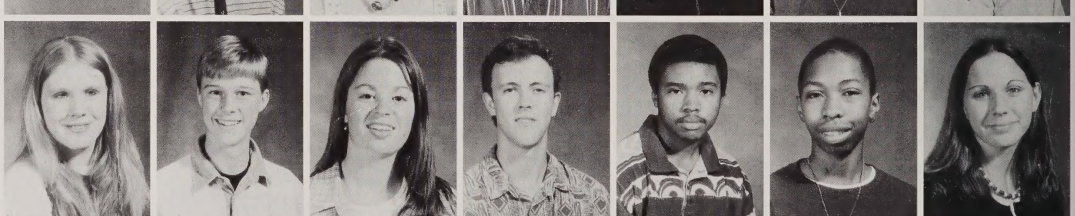

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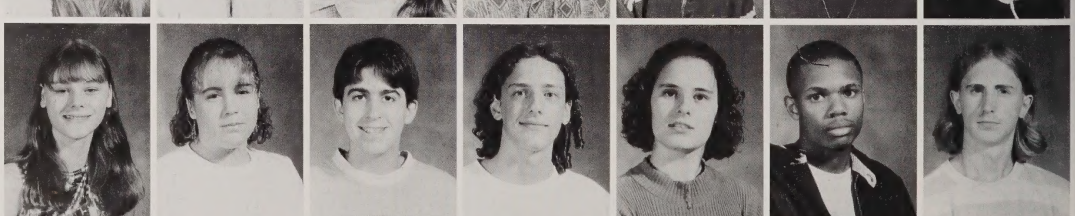

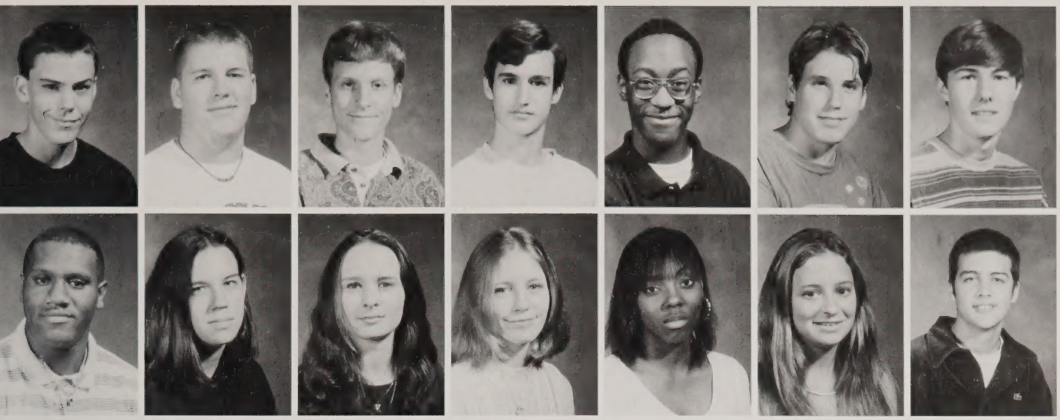

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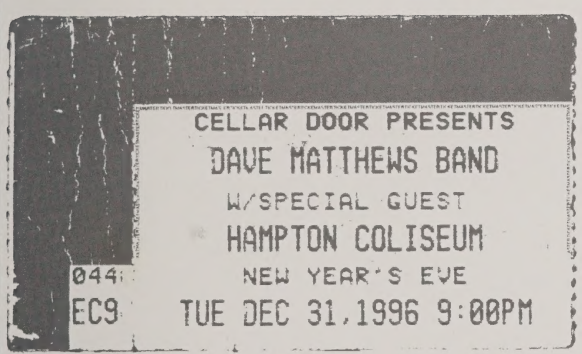
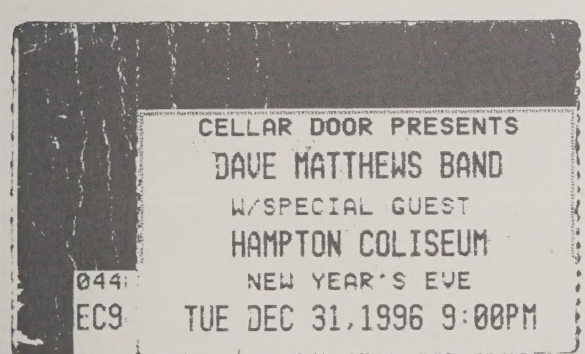
Concerts





Topping the list of favorite bands at the Hampton Coliseum and the Virginia Beach Ampitheater were James Taylor and the Dave Matthews Band. Alternative, rap, country, jazz, and reggae were only some of the types of bands that came to the area this past year. No matter what the taste in music, concerts were a guarantee for a good time.

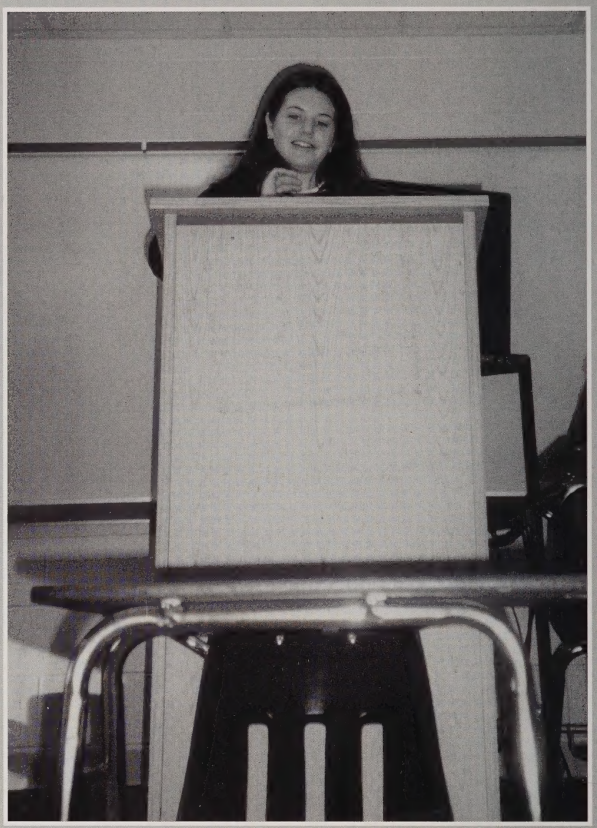
The frenzied cheering, the loud music, the excitement in the air, the ringing ears, those were all characteristics of concerts. Concerts were always a popular pastime for juniors. With the addition of the Virginia Beach Ampitheater, students flocked to see their favorite bands play live. Hearing good music on a CD was great, but nothing compared to the excitement of being face to face with the live performance. The Boathouse and the Hampton Coliseum also housed touring bands. Some of the most popular shows included Dave Matthews Band, Violent Femmes, and the H.O.R.D.E Festival. Kate Byrne commented, "I had a blast at H.O.R.D.E.. I got to hear great music and spend time with my friends." Most students agreed that concerts were a great excuse to have fun with friends. Some chose to travel in a group to the shows, while others went solo and met friends there. No matter how students got there or who they were with, concerts were a great time for all.

After School Activities

It was 2:00. The bell had rung and the halls were filled. The students were rushing to their lockers, grabbing their books, and fleeing to the bus or their cars. Where were all these students headed?

There were many productive and some not so productive ways that students spent their time after school. Some were actively involved in sports and had daily practices or games to attend. Students also attended club meetings which occured after school. While some chose to go home and get a head start on homework, others enjoyed hanging out with friends or watching TV. After school hours were also a good time for relaxing and resting up for the next hectic day at school.

Whether relaxing, studying, or practicing, students could always find a friend to hang out with and share the days of high school.



As one of the diligent leaders, Tara Taubman gives a report on the recent Junior Class activities. Mr. FC, Computer Fun, and Ring Dance were some of the activities that Tara and many other juniors planned.

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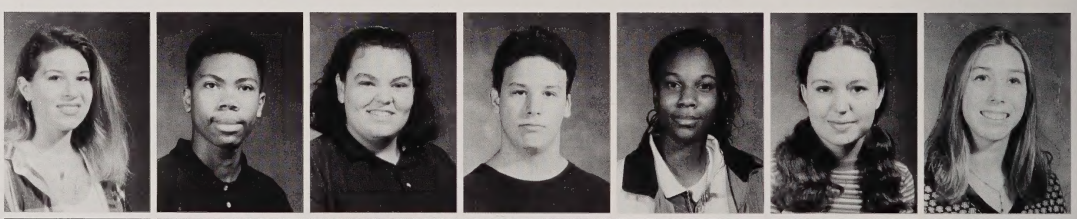

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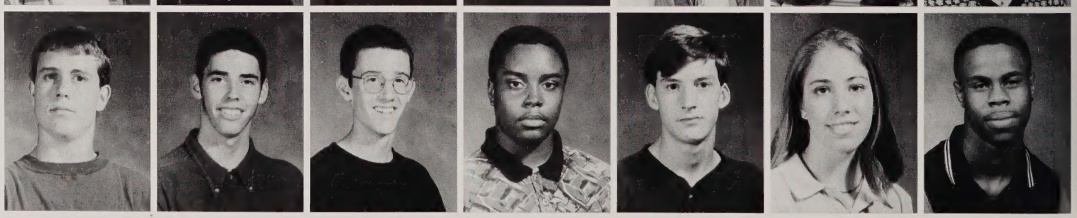

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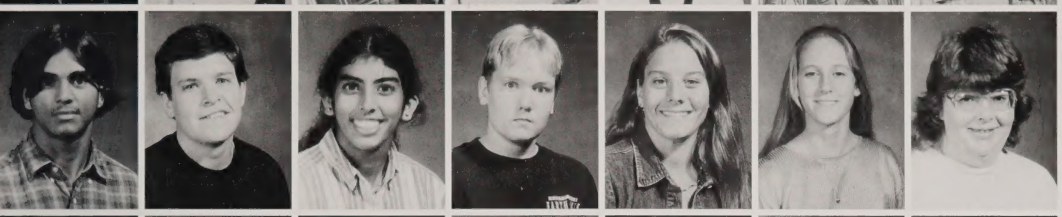

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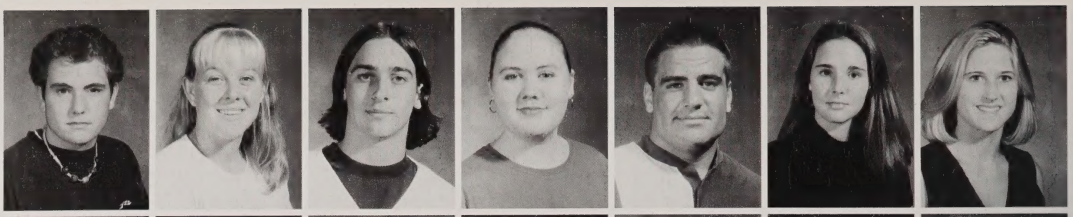

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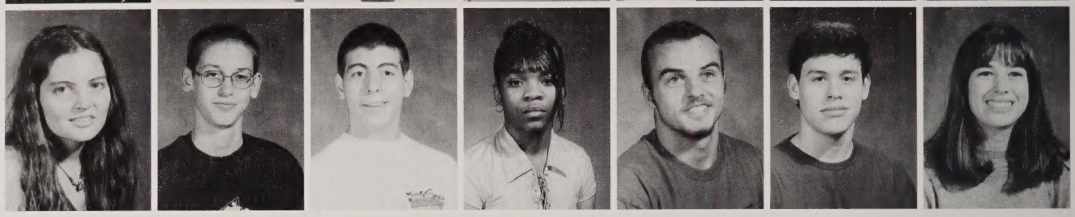
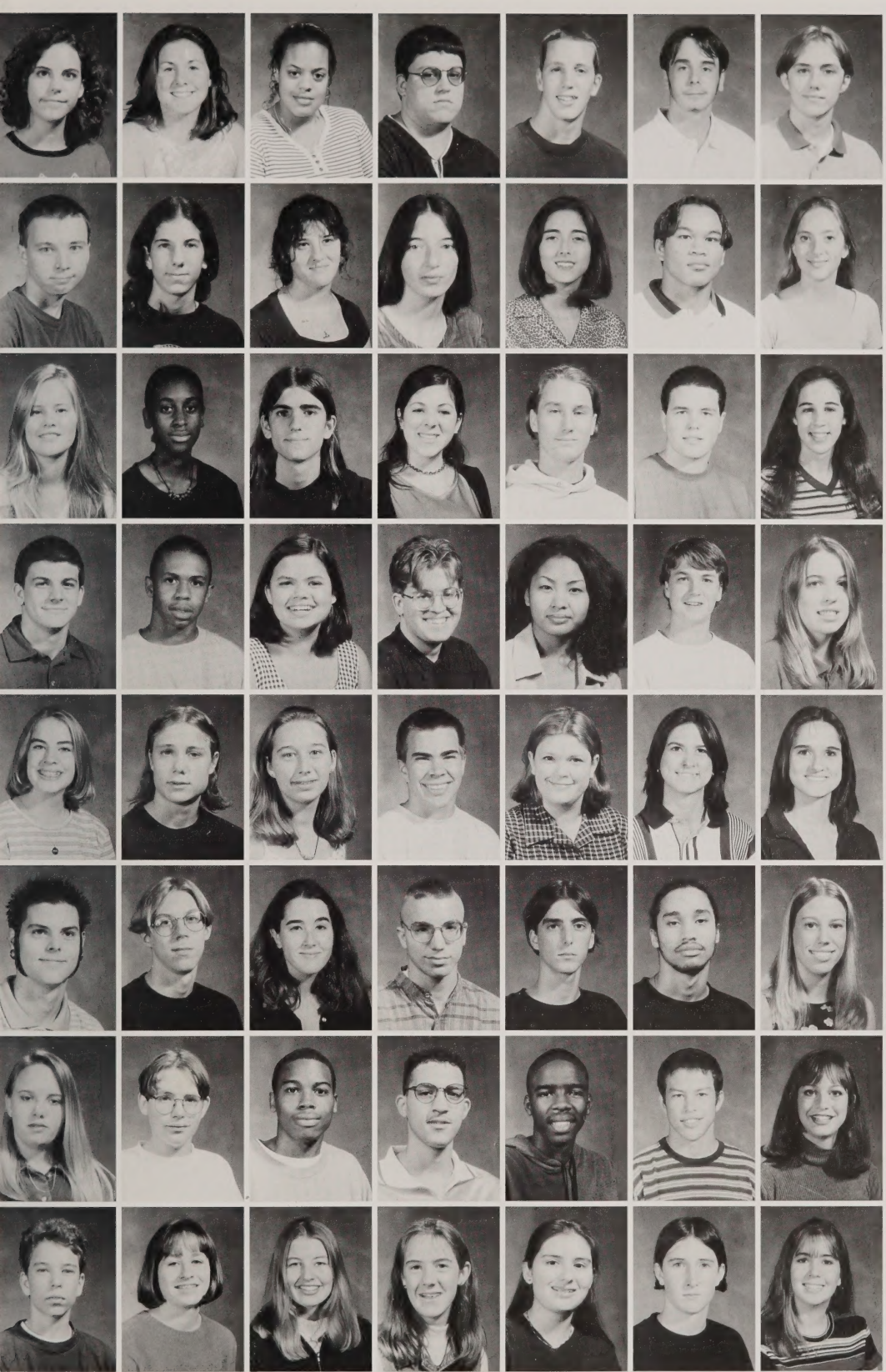


Driving

One of the most exciting days in a teenager's life was when they first received their driving permit, which allowed them to drive with an adult. Before receiving the permit, students had to successfully pass Drivers Education, which taught the students the laws of driving. After six grueling months of driving everywhere with their parents, the big day came when they finally received their drivers license. Students could then drive on their own without adult supervision. Having a licence was a much coveted privilege but at the same time a huge responsibility. Some students were lucky enough to have their parents buy them a car while others worked hard to earn money for a set of wheels, gas, and insurance. Most students would agree that the freedom to drive was well worth the bill, even though it was quite expensive.

Driving a friends car, John Mintz enjoys the newfound privilege of operating a motor vehicle. Students often shared cars as they explored the world of driving.



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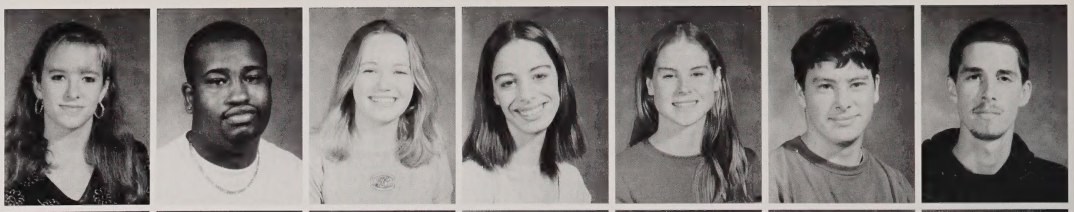

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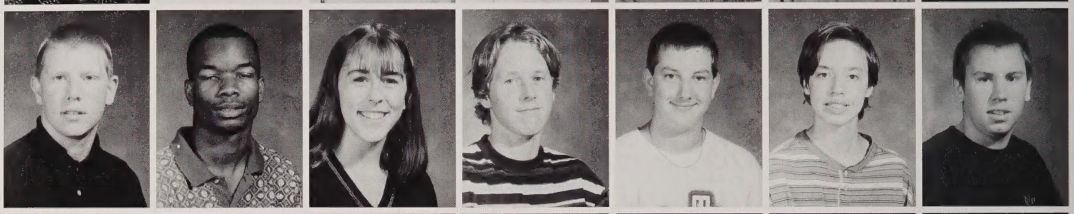

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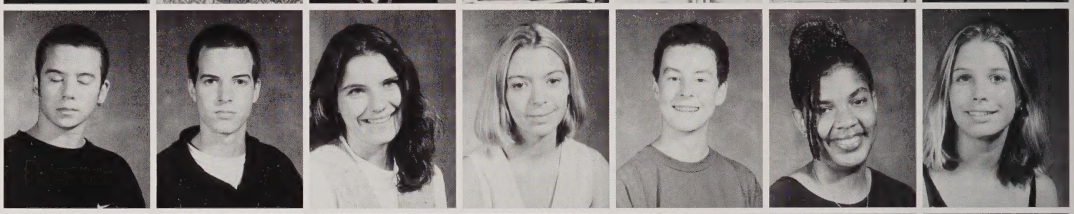

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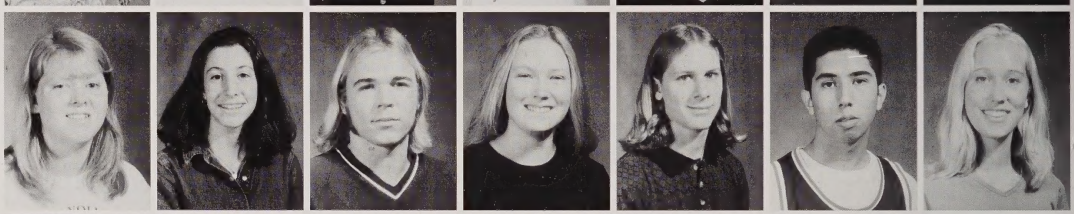

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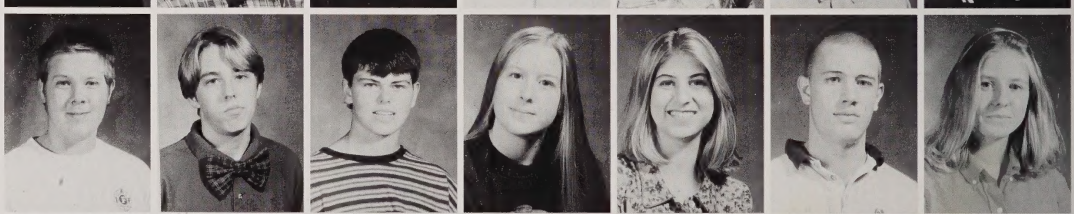

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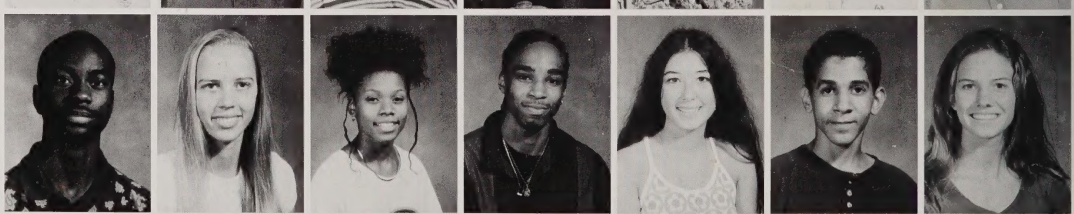


Summer Vacation

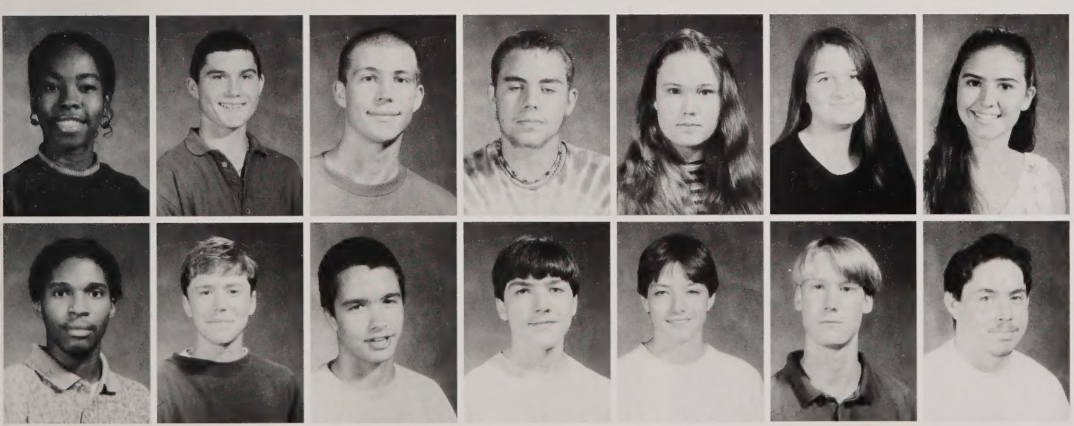
When the final bell rang in June, screams of excitement echoed throughout the halls. Finally free to do all the things they enjoyed most, juniors found a way to earn some money and have a good time.

While others were vacationing, some students spent their days earning money for their expenses. Jobs could be found on the beach as lifeguards and rental attendants or store clerks. Some baby-sat, scooped ice cream, and endured the never ending job of dealing with the tourists in hot pink Virginia Beach spandex shorts.

Spending their days in Saranac, New York at the Young Life Camp, Meghan Powell, Katie Brett, Holly Fort, and Kate Byrne hang out. While at Saranac, the girls participated in many activities that required physical and emotional strength.

While some students worked, others savored the endless days of summer vacation at the beach and hanging out with friends. They chose relaxation during their vacation time over the stress of working.

Students involved in fall sports began weeks before the opening of school with tryouts and grueling practices in the midst of summer heat. All this work was in preparation back for the upcoming sport season. No matter where they spent their days, summer vacation gave students the opportunity to relax and enjoy themselves.



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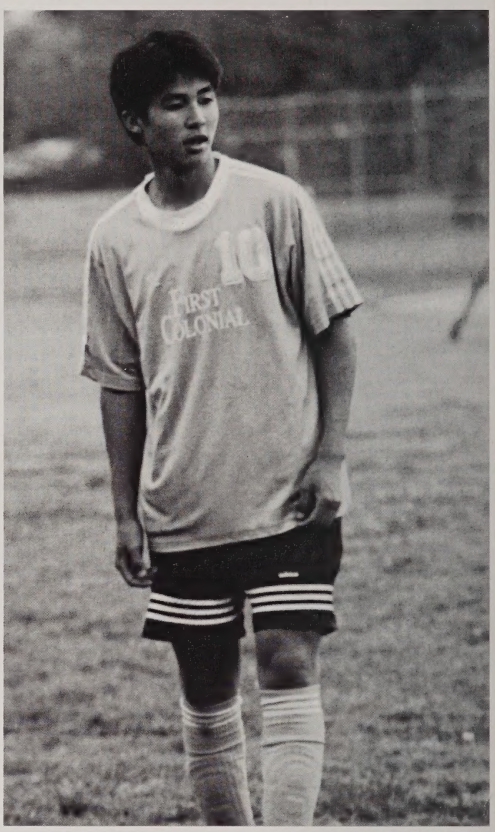

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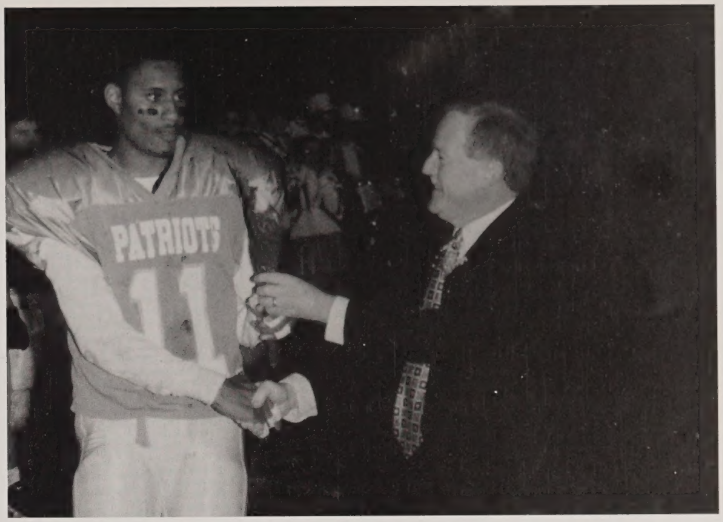
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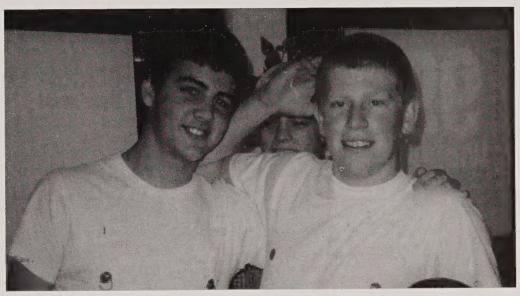

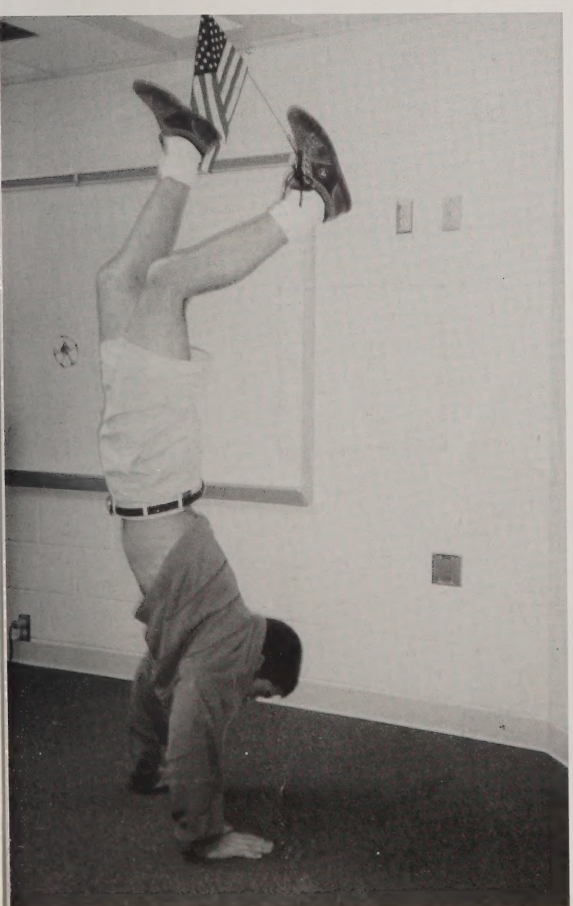

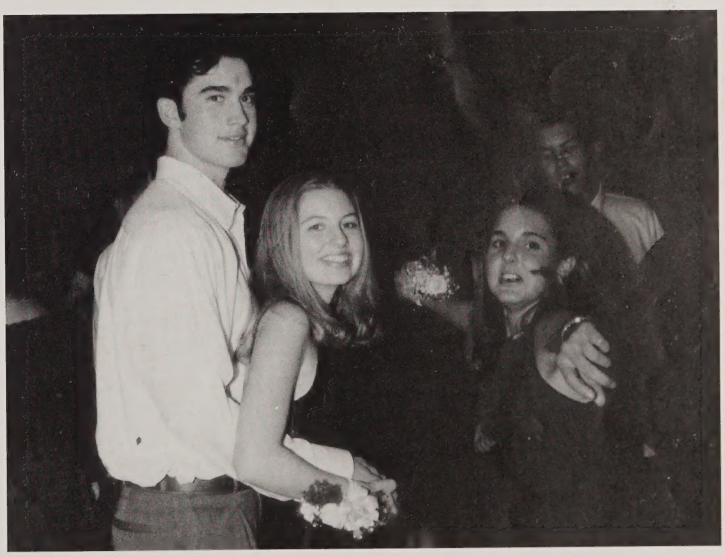

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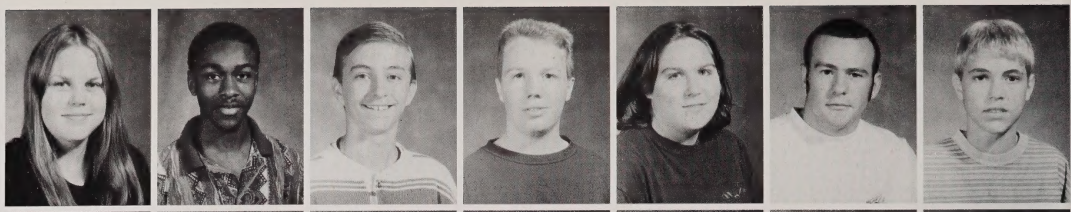

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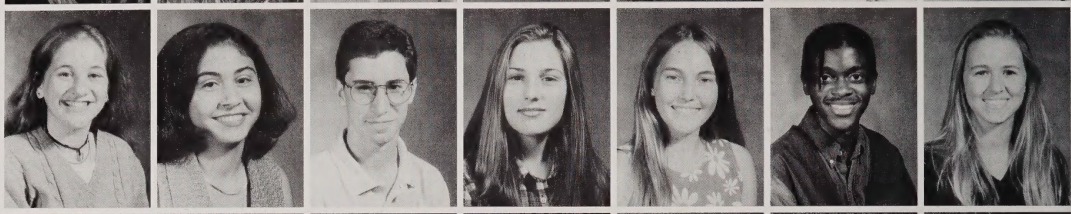

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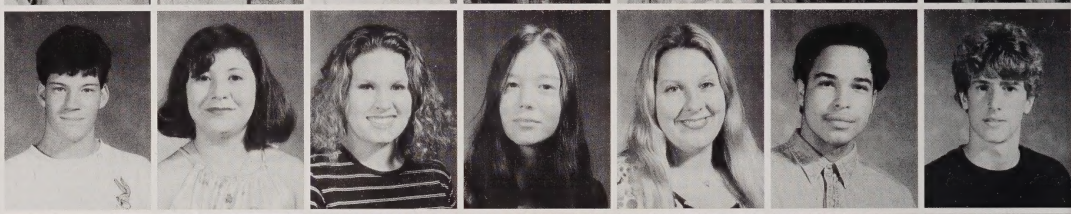

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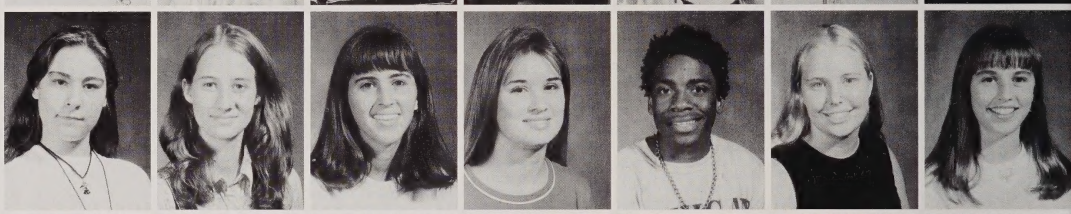

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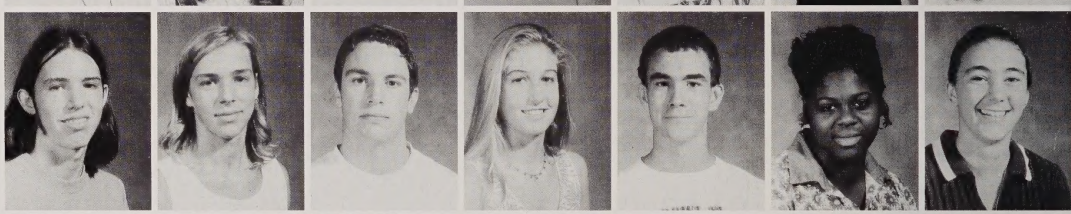

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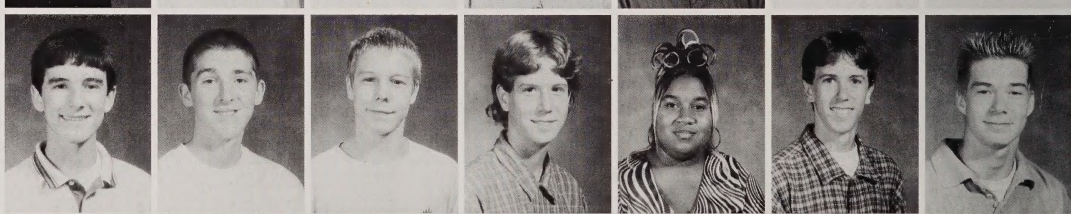

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Sylvia Brown
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Sarah Buck
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Angel Butler
Daniel Butsavage

Megan Buzick
Winfred Cameron
Meredith Camp
Zenaida Campos
George Carr
Audra Carroll
Cantley Carter

Frankie Castora
Ashley Chadwick
Louis Chambers
Christine Chappell
John Chattman
Megan Christenson
David Clanton

Jeff Clark
Chad Cochran
Jessica Coffin
Leon Coleman
Jamie Collins
Laura Collins
Matt Collins

Munchies

Hungrily feeding a scrumptious Otis Spunkmeyer chocolate chip cookie into her mouth, Sarah Otto helps support the senior class. The Class of 1997 sold these cookies religiously every afternoon to help reduce the cost of Senior Prom tickets.

Whether it was just for a quick snack or time for an all-out chow fest, students were regularly seen frequenting one of the local fast food joints in the neighboring area. After an exhausting day at school, no one could wait to plop into a hard, plastic chair and sink their pearly whites through each delicious layer of their Double Bacon Triple Cheeseburger. At two o'clock many health-conscious students could be found at the ever-popular Bagelworks. Lunching and relaxing with friends relieved much of the school day stress and helped students wind down to prepare for various after school activities.

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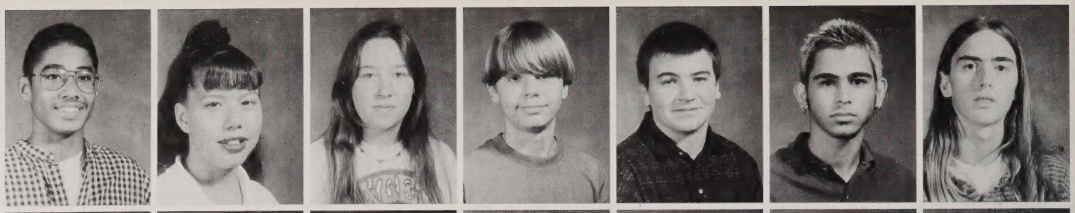
Crystal Cook
Jason Cope
Matt Cornett
Jacob Correa
Bryan Cox



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Krissy Cuce
Antione Cuffee

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Anthony David
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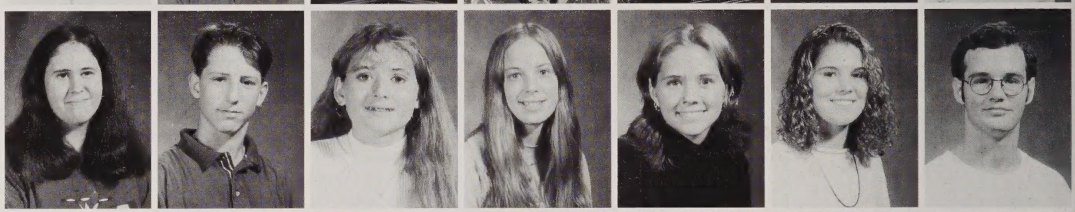

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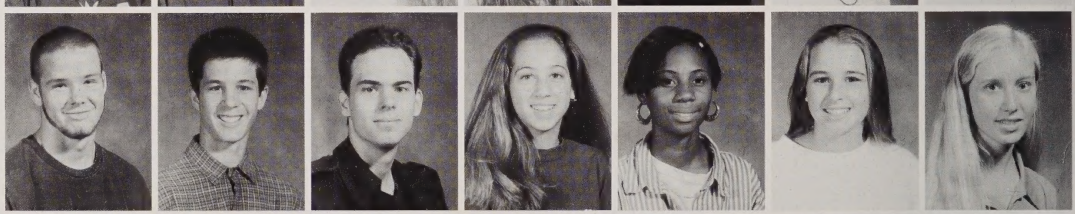

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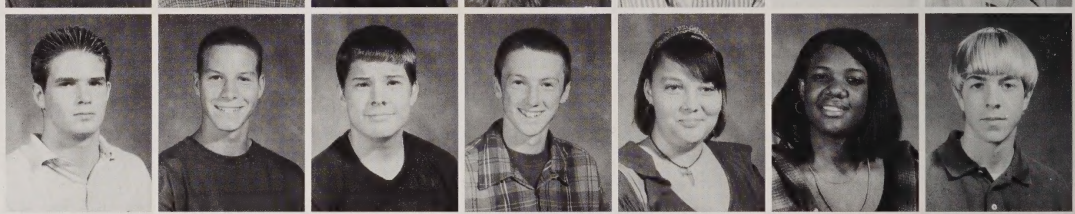

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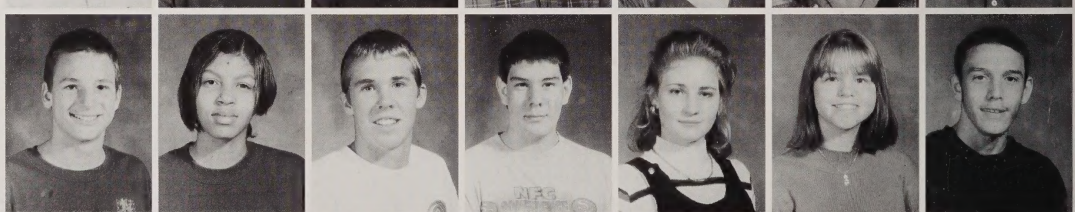

Katie Fox
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Amanda Frittelli
Jerika Fuller
Susan Funk
Michael Gallagher
Sara Gallup

Hangouts

Peeping through the bottom of the Burger King playground, Kristin Eitel, Grace Bonney, Lauren Polino, and Suzie Birdsong smile at the camera. The girls found time to spend together at Young Life meetings every Wednesday night.

It's Friday afternoon, 2:01 PM, so where is everyone going? Well, after school and on weekends students could be found anywhere from Taco Bell and Burger King to Lynnhaven Mall. They spent their extra hours -that weren't used for homework- to have fun with friends. Every day after school students were spotted at various local restaurants. On weekends, students attended sports games, went to movies, spent countless hours bowling, or cruising the strip. At these hangouts, the students relieved school stress and made lots of fun memories together.

Carlos Gambino
Omar Gambino
George Gamel
Lara Garwood
James Garofalo
Rebecca Gerino
Johanathan Gilbert

Mary Giunta
Lindsey Gleason
Jarrod Godfrey
Emily Goodman
Mark Graham
Pamela Granger
Robert Gray

Nick Greene
Kimberly Gregory
Ashley Gretz
Shanita Griffin
Amy Griffith
Gabrielle Grimstead
Stephanie Gross

Bryan Grulke
Jessica Guerrero
Courtney Guido
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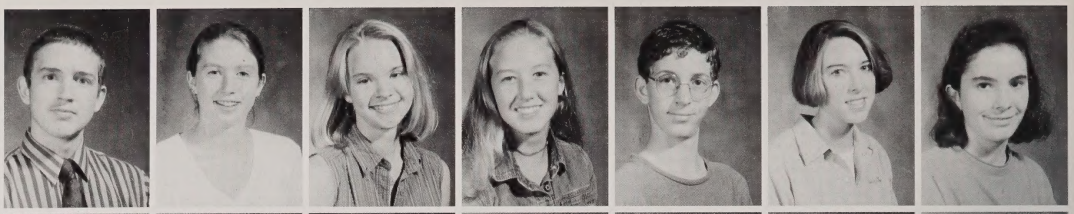

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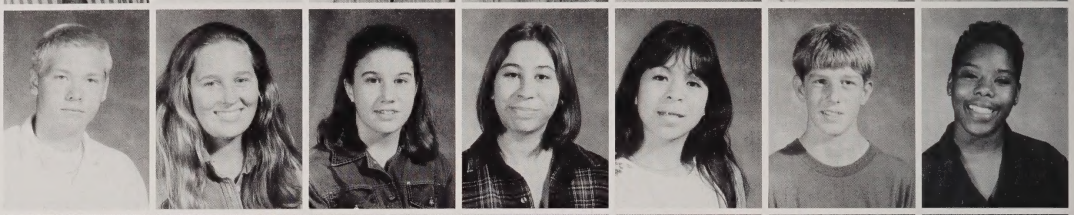

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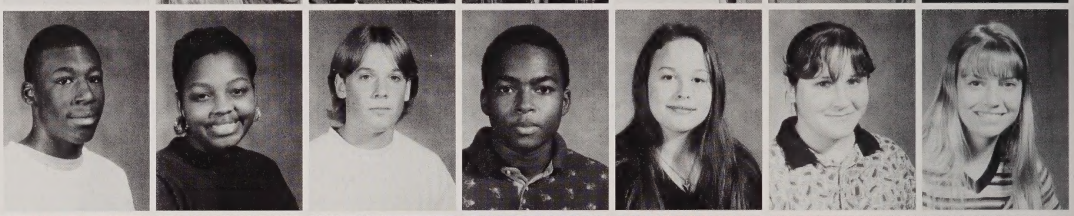

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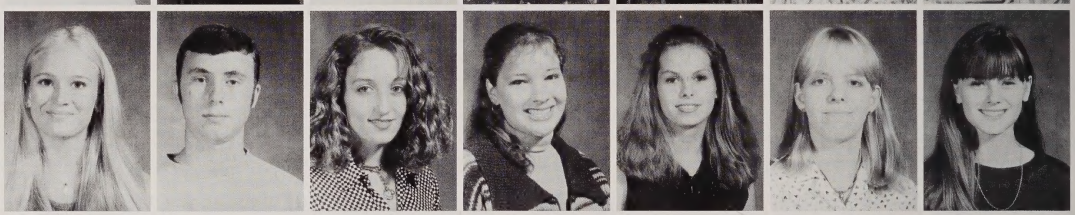
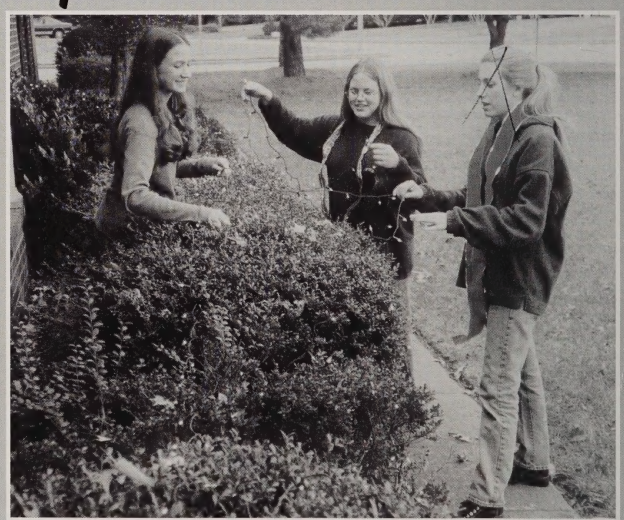
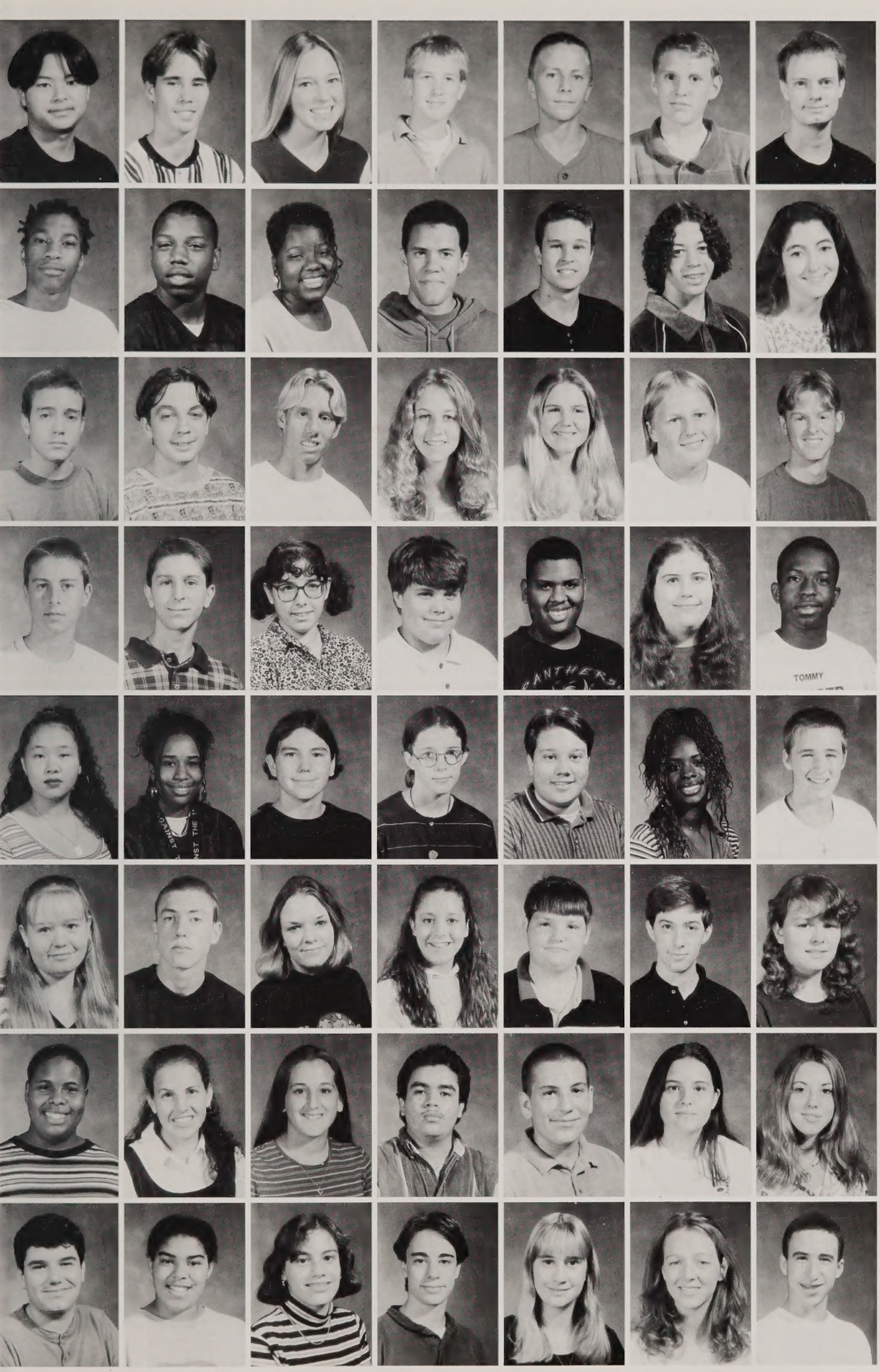


Holidays

Among the holidays each year, Christmas and Hanukkah tended to be the more enjoyable ones because as the song goes, "It's the most wonderful time of the year." When Christmas time was near, people become more happy and jovial in light of the stressful holiday season. The idea of being out of school for a week was enough to put any student in a good mood at Christmas, Hanukkah, and even Easter. Halloween was a fun holiday: students got the chance to dress up in costumes and eat their fill of candy. These holidays and many others gave students an opportunity to relax and spend time with friends outside of school.



Preparing for Christmas, Jenny Thomas, Susanna Aikin, and Sarah Buck put lights on the bushes. Many people put up lights and other decorations to get in the spirit of whatever holiday it might have been.



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Laurie Kimball
Jerry Kizer
Kevin Knowles

Spencer Knox
David Kolbash
Maricarmen Korngiebell-Rosi
Joshua Krause
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Stefanie Lake
Hugh Langston

Barbara Larson
Ebony Lee
Brian Leffler
Courtney Lester
Tim Lett
Tina Lewis
Mathew Lindblad

Kimberly Livingston
Brett Lloyd
Krista Longbottom
Catalina Lopez
Sean Love
Alex Loveridge
Tamara Lyons

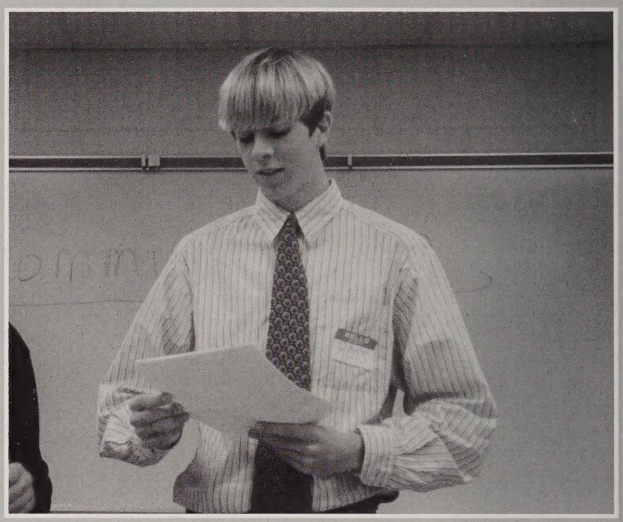
Thomas Lyons
Christine Machaj
Melissa Macomber
Roberto Madrigal
Andrew Mahrenholz
Dawn Malone
Marissa Manoleros

Mike Marcialis
Nickoal Mariskal
Laura Estelle Martinez
David Masiello
Lynn Mason
Lauren Mastic
Danny Mazur

Leadership Workshop

One November morning, selected students, most of them sophomores, gathered in the schola for the Leadership Workshop. Run by Mrs. Crommelin, the workshop focused on communication, leadership skills, hosting effective meetings, and the ever important stress managment. Guest speakers from First Colonial and Ocean Lakes were present to share their expertise on the different topics.

One of the most memorable sessions was the topic of stress management. Sophomore Leon Coleman commented, "The massage circle was a neat idea, and it made my aching body feel much better!"



Ross Fickenscher wraps up his instructional lecture during the workshop. Ross spoke about the communication skills that helped him excel in both school and extracurricular activities.

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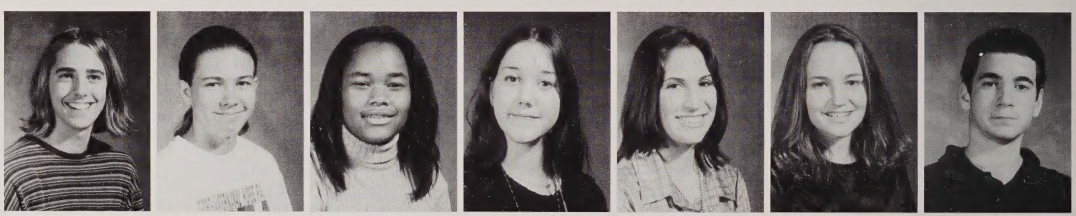

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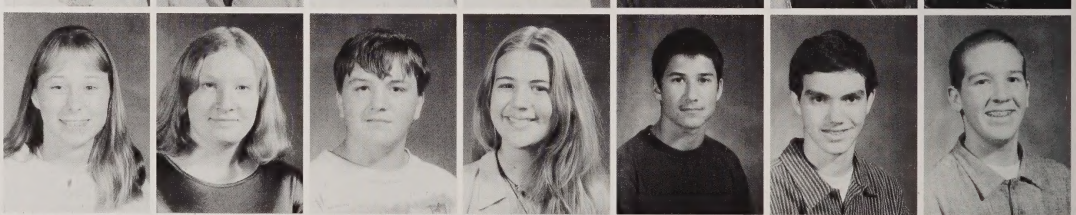

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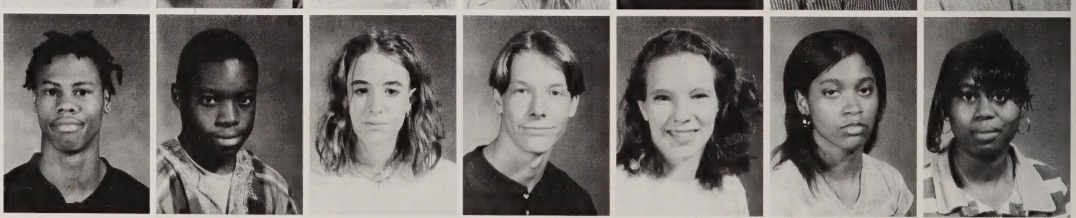

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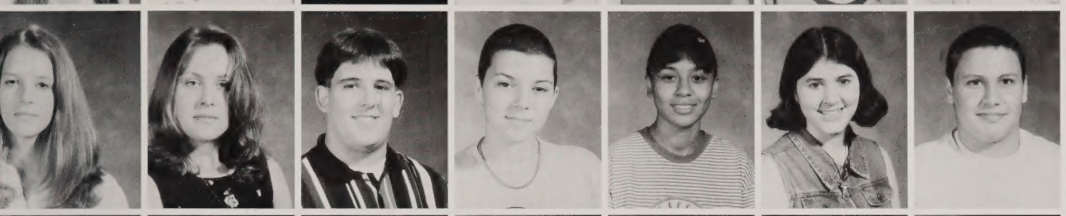

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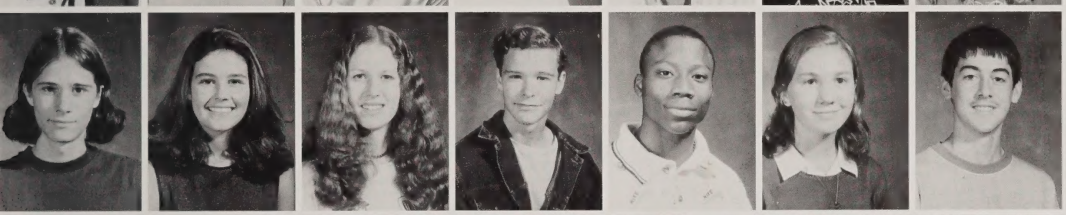

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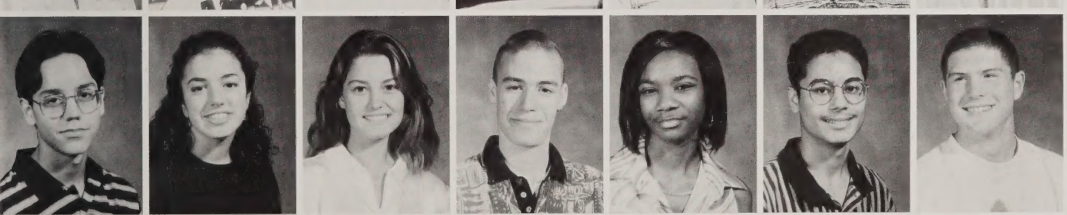

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Todd Schaefer
Ryan Schalles
Rebecca Schmidt

Richard Schneidr
Keith Schoenheider
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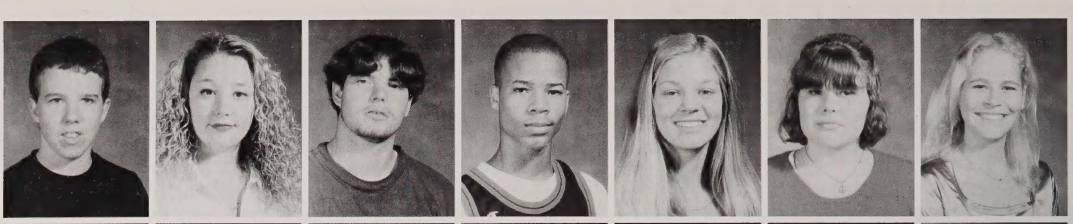

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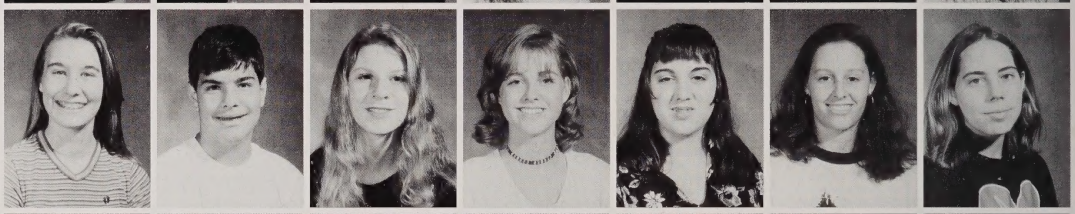

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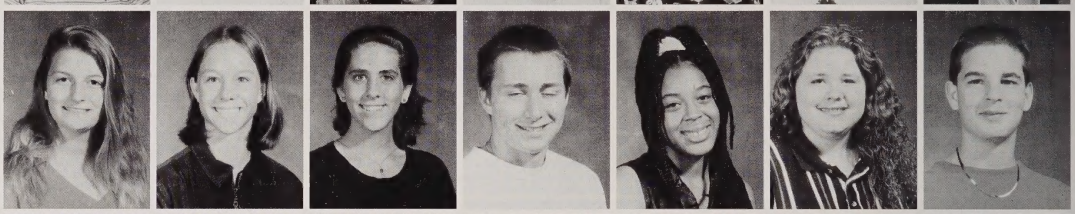

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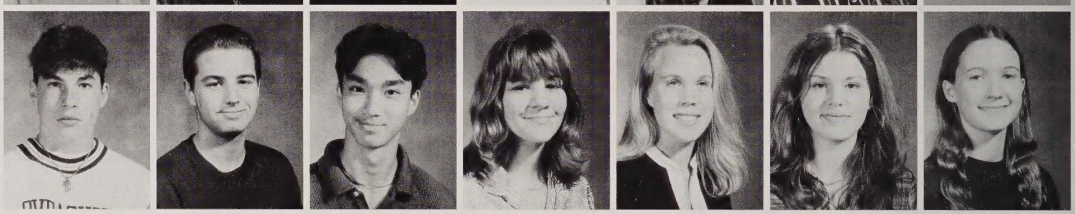

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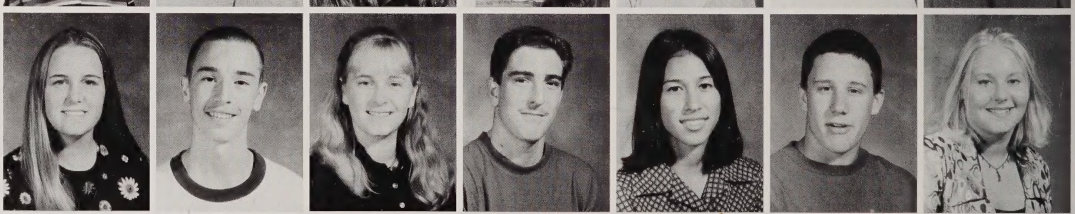

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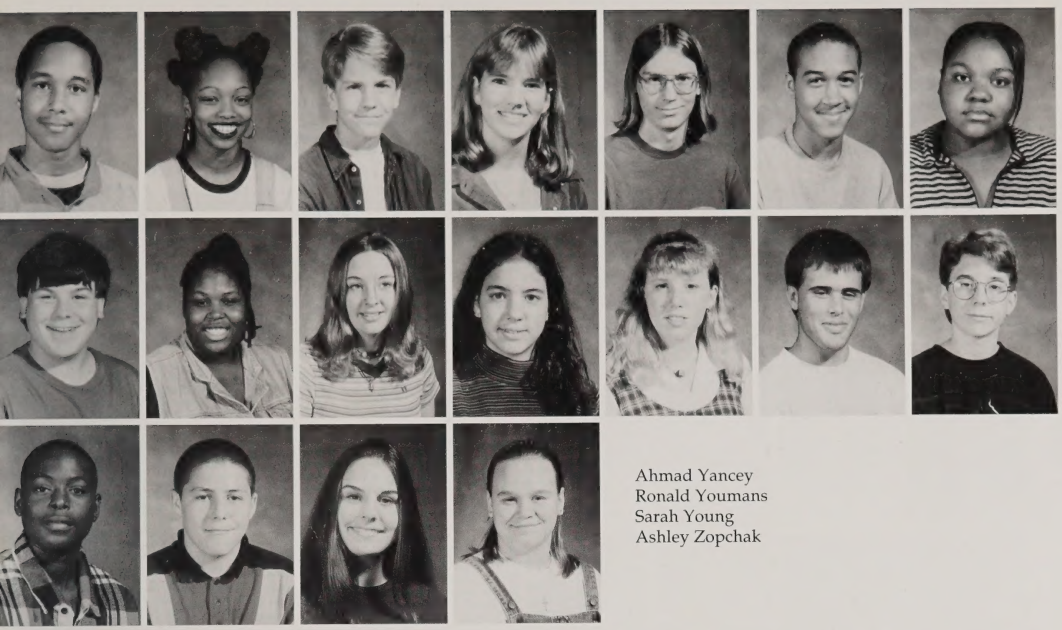

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Ronald Youmans
Sarah Young
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Sophomores

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Sarah Amelon
Bethany Anderson
Cassie Anthony

Michael Anuswith
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Patsy Bass
Richard Bates
Elizabeth Baxter
Brett Beagle

Corey Beale
Jamal Beale
Rene Beck
Justin Beckett
Veronica Bell
Bo-Bo Benjamin
Kristen Bennington
Sarah Benson

Jeanna Bergfield
Todd Berry
Elizabeth Blachman
Kathryn Blackburn
Margin Blanton
Rachel Bludsworth
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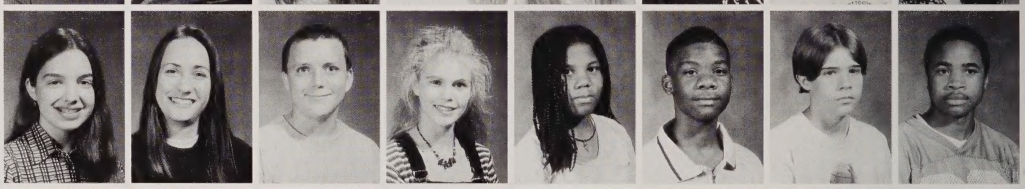

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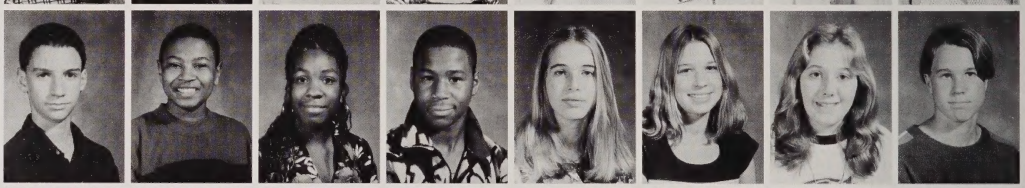

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Paul Cardona

Carrie Carman
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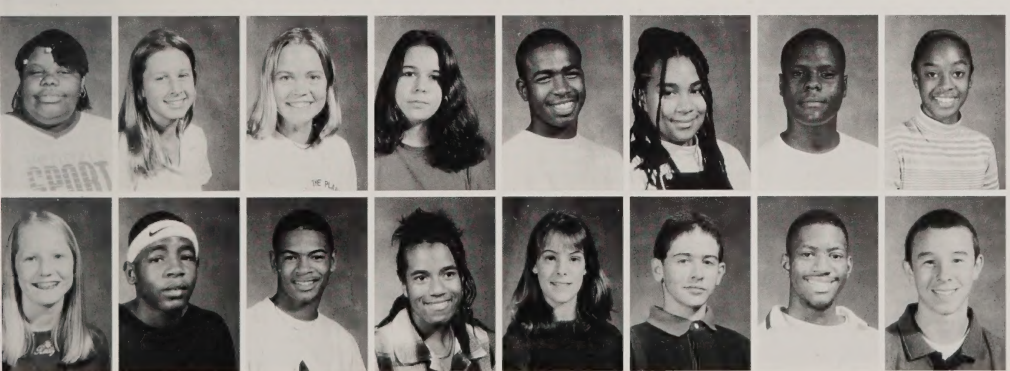
Chad Carter
Tamara Cason
Katie Cathcart
Derek Cavanaugh
Ramila Cesar
John Chaplain

Bookbags

What was the key to organization? Many students would have been unable to survive without a trusty bookbag. The new freshmen arriving from middle school soon became accustomed to caravaning to and from school with a locker-sized pack on their back. Though some students were lucky enough to have older brothers or sisters who had cars, the compact size of the seats on the bus forced students to put their locker in a bag and go to school. Where else could a TI-83 graphing calculator, Romeo and Juliet, algebra test corrections, a chemistry lab book, a planner, a highlighter, an English grammar book, and multiple pens and pencils be located? A bookbag, of course. In this endless pit- Mecca of school supplies and literature- objects were often misplaced. Fortunately, many of the missing items turned up a few days later after some good reorganization. Students stored all notebooks, books, and assignments in the bookbags which accompanied them throughout the day. As the year ended, most students had perfectly completed their organizational skills with the use of these conveniences. Brooke Mathis commented, "If I lost my bookbag, I don't know what I'd do without it. It has everything in it that I could ever need plus some."

Sporting various patches and stickers, these bookbags need a rest after a hard day of toting books and binders throughout the school. Even with the use of lockers, backpacks received quite a workout.



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Colleen Christl
Jessica Chromik
Mary Colasanto
Darnell Coleman
Shammara Conner
Dia Cook
Monique Cooke

Cory Cooper
Lawrence Cooper
Michael Cooper
Tiffany Cooper
Audrey Corbin
Keith Corillo
Larry Cox
Larry Craig

Trends

One of the biggest shocks to a small, innocent freshman entering high school was the elaborate wave of fashion that overwhelmed the hallways. On any given day, the halls were a replica of MTV's "House of Style," filled with trends of every kind. In order to set themselves apart from the plethora of other students, most freshmen tried to adopt a style of their own.

Popular on the underclassmen this year were a variety of styles that made them disitnguishable from the masses. On any given day, freshmen could be seen sporting everything from brightly colored bell bottoms to short, vinyl skirts. Some of the guys' favorites were striped sweaters and the ever-popular surf shop shirts. As for accesories, bright, metallic nail polish in colors such as blue and green and "messenger bags" used as backpacks.

Freshmen Jennifer Shaughnessy and Robyn Spence sport some of their favorite styles. Striped sweaters and "grunge t-shirts" were very popular this year.

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Casey Cullen
Monika Curry
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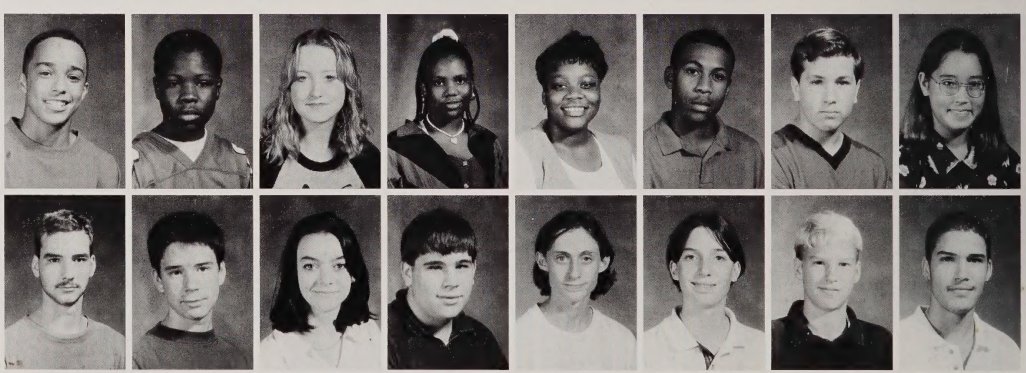
Jason Dasilva
Angela Davis



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Krista Dinkler
Mike Disharoon
Carrie Disney
Todd Dixon
Zelda Donawa

Revonda Downing
Jeremy Downs
Thomas Drennan
Blair Eason
Jonathan Edwards
Missy Eng
Stephanie Failla
Tiffanie Farley

Lanelle Fausey
Liza Figari
Bubba Fleming
Tessa Flory
Eric Fonda
Julie Fontenot
Josh Forrest
Amanda Foster

Lauren Foultz
Chris Frankenfield
Clif Frei
Clay Friske
Gregory Fritz
Terrence Garrett
John Gaster
Zumaba Gbacia

Drew Getz
Crystal Gibbs
Daniel Giles
Robert Gillespie
Lauren Gladstone
Laura Glascock
Brian Glover
Gerard Golden

Kate Gordon
Ashley Gray
Robert Gray
Kristepher Green
David Greene
Taren Gregory
Talena Griffith
Leslie Guffie

Genny Guida
Jeremy Guida
Mark Gummo
Bill Gurley
Terri Hadley
Chester Hall
Mike Hamilton
Amy Hammaker

David Hanson
Robert Hardcastle
Traci Harkey
Jeremiah Harless
Corey Harris
Krystle Harris
Luevenia Harris
Christian Harrison

Emily Hartke
Alicia Hatfield
Tracy Hayes
Jennifer Heatwole
Troy Hedspeth
Michelle Helms
Anthony Henderson
Harlan Hendricks

Sean Henry
Tiffany Henry
Patrick Herring
Trey Highton
Marcus Hills
Shaun Hines
James Hinkley
Mark Hodges

Max Hoes
Kim Hopwood
Chris Horan
Chris Horn
Samina Hossain
Misty Hudson
Mels Hudson
Jeffrey Hughes

Levander Hughes
Wes Hulstein
Tiffany Hunter
Kurt Isenberg
John Jackson
Michael Jennings
Jameika Johnson
Kammy Johnson

Michael Johnson
Ricky Johnson
Kelly Jones
Leah Jones
Leonard Jones
Dereig Jordan
Blake Kappers
Nick Katsanos

Aaron Kenon
Adrian Keseler
Michael Kessler
Naina Khaliq
Jonathan Kim
Will King
Leonard Knight
Jeremy Krupnick

Jayme Lackore
Ryan Lafond
Jeffrey Lai
Christina Lang
Sarah Lapierre
Kara Large
Shannon Lawrence
Lonah Lessard

Lucas Lex
Kurt Lofquiest
Eric Lonning
Cory Louk
Damond Lowe
Bryan Lowry
Monica Lucente
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Ian Lundy
Laura Machaj
Kenneth Mahler
Deborah Mallison
Kimichin Mallison
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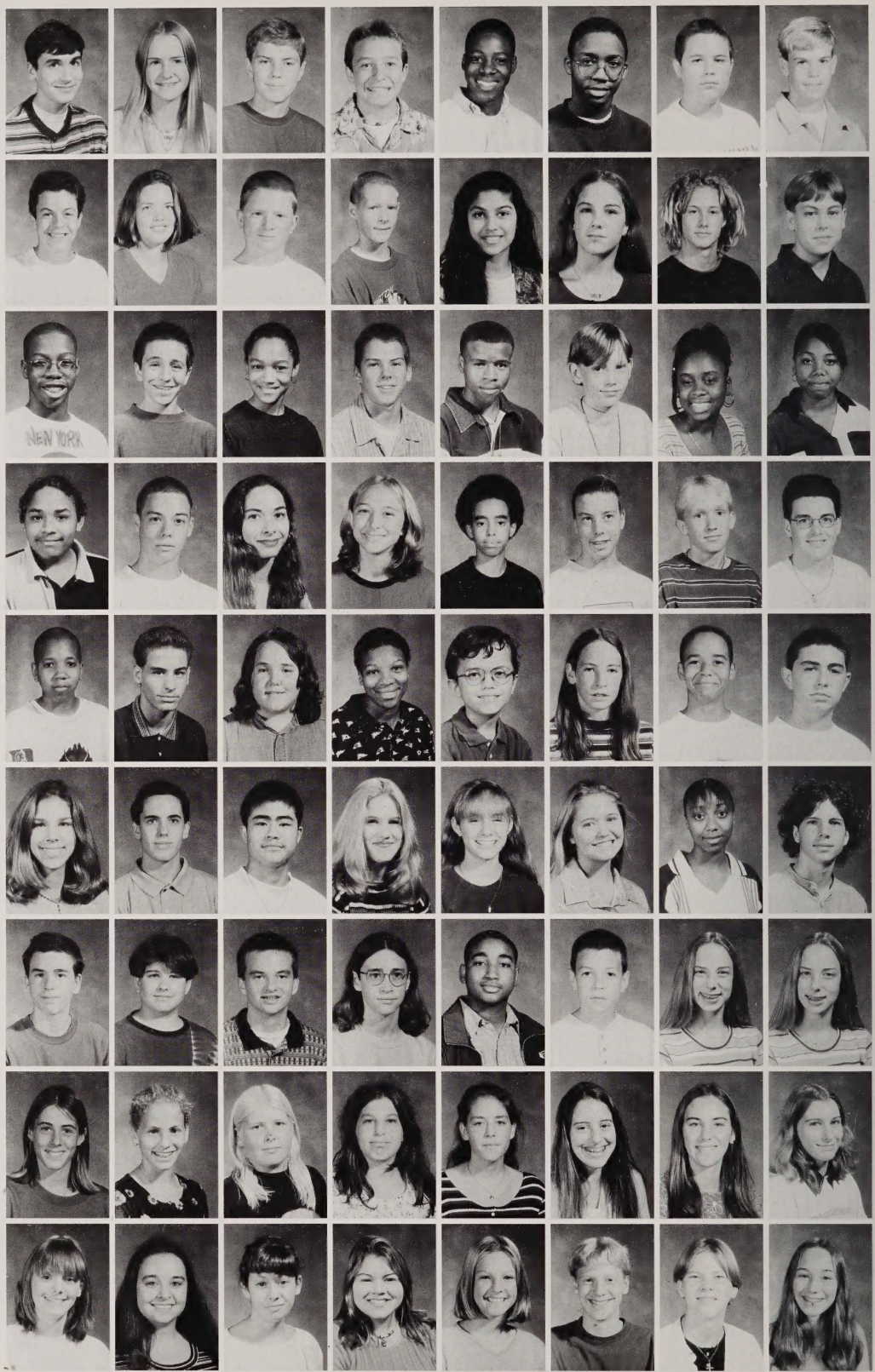


The Joke's on You!

"Hey, Justin, look! There is a dollar in the trash can!" Jimmy McFillin fools his favorite freshman, Justin Wakefield, with one of the oldest tricks in the book. Watch out Justin, the only thing you're going to find in the bottom of that canister is the remains of someone's lunch!

Pee-Wee Herman was the ultimate prankster. With help from Chairy and the Playhouse Gang, he could always con some poor soul into saying the secret word. 'Twas never a sad day in the playhouse!

Freshmen were like those who got caught saying the secret word. Older classmates often had fun at their expense, be it by shoving them in a locker or selling them an elevator pass. Upperclassmen often got ideas for their pranks from "Saved by the Bell." The sound of the bell was often a relief to their weary souls. But the freshmen were tough and they stood their ground.

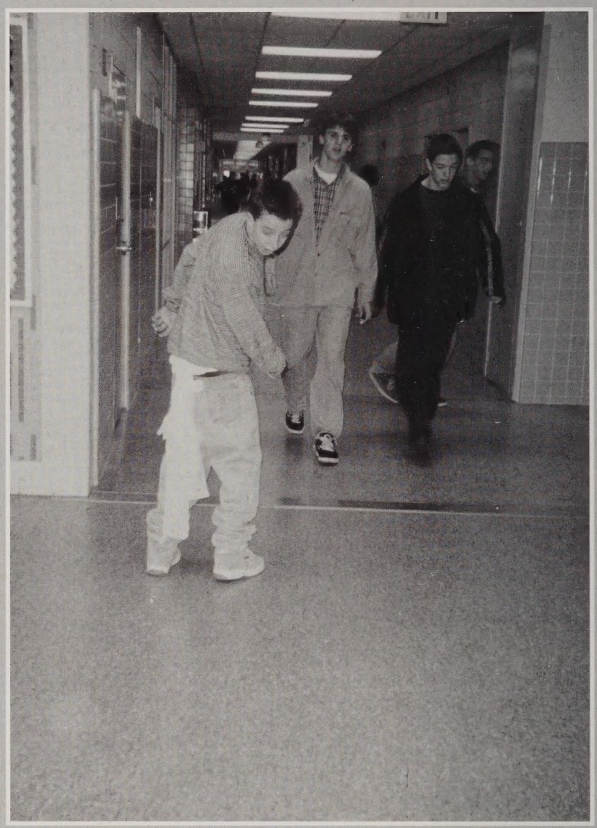
Why were people so cruel? Why has hazing been acceptable since the dawn of school? Answers to these age old questions may never be found. No one felt the need to search for them, everyone was too busy having fun picking on freshmen.

Matt McDonald
Julianne McGinty
Michael McGrew
Star McKenzie
Aaron McLeroy
Patrick Melzer
Kenny Michaud
Michael Midgett

Keturah Milford
Amber Miller
Daniel Miler
Ryan Miller
Allison Mitchell
Niclole Moneypenny
Brandon Monroe
Jennifer Moore

Embarrassing Moments

Out of all the moments remembered by freshmen, the embarrassing ones forever remained in the archives of their minds. In their first year of high school, embarrassing moments were not all that uncommon for the new kids on the block. Often times, while trying to impress an upperclassman, freshmen only ended up embarrassing themselves. Ryan O'Donnell admits, "I was looking at this girl and not paying attention to where I was going. I ended up running into the water fountain." Experiences like these were unfortunately always remembered. Everyone was familiar with the sensation of humiliation. Faces began to feel hot from the rush of blood, palms began to sweat, and a desire to crawl into a hole in the ground and never emerge were overwhelming. Eventually these petrifying moments began to fade, and only fond memories of high school were left to reflect on for years to come.



Realizing that there is a very long, white, noticeable piece of toilet paper dangling from his pants, Trey Heighton is unable to mask his terrified expression. Freshmen like Trey were perpetual victims to the disease otherwise known as embarrassment.

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Julia Moshkariou
April Muldron
Jennifer Mullen
Alyse Murden
Raymond Murray
Nick Mushik
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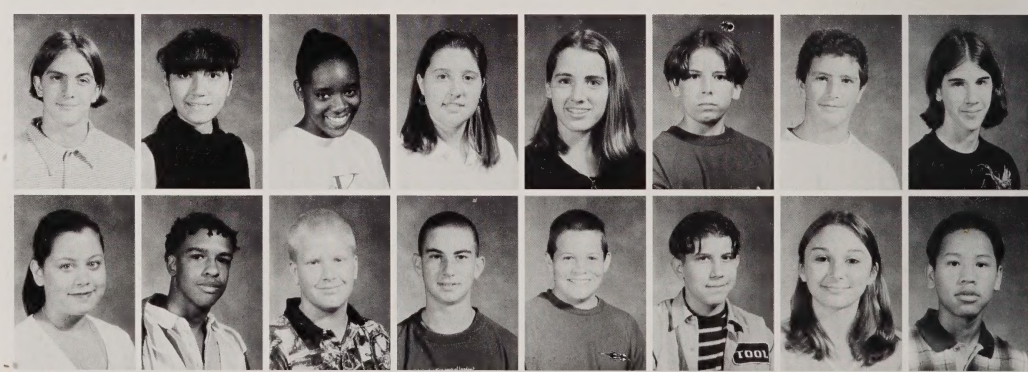

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Christine Papa
Andy Park
Vicki Parsons

Bruce Partin
Anar Patel
Siddharth Patel
Nick Petriccione
Shannon Pheiffer
Laurie Phillips
Lee Phillips
Stephen Pokorsui

John Polley
Harrison Poole
Joseph Pope
Melissa Provancher
Sean Pullman
Melisa Quade
Laurie Quinn
Omar Rahman

Lauren Reagan
Milissa Reyes
Dusty Rhoades
Jason Rhodes
Jason Richardson
David Rickman
Jessica Rider
Daniel Rifkin

Hannah Rimmer
Anthony Rittenhouse
Jonathan Rittenhouse
Amanda Robeson
Jennifer Robinson
Peter Robinson
Dusty Rogers
Kim Rollins

Orlandp Roman
Ryan Roseboom
Shane Roseboom
Heather Ross
Tiffany Ross
Dawayne Rouse
Michael Rouse
Tiffany Rouse

Gayle Rubin
Allison Ruggles
Andrew Ruggles
Anne Russell
Joshua Russell
Bryan Sage
John Sansone
Tamera Schlitt

Alanna Scott
Timothy Scott
Niki Seay
Christopher Secor
Jamie Senecal
Chrissy Sexton
Brandon Shaffer
Jennifer Shaughnesy

Les Shaw
Ed Shipp
Melody Shipp
Farrell Shoup
Emily Siddens
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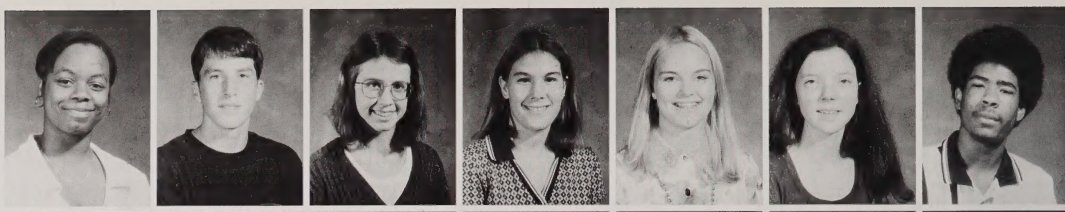
William Spence



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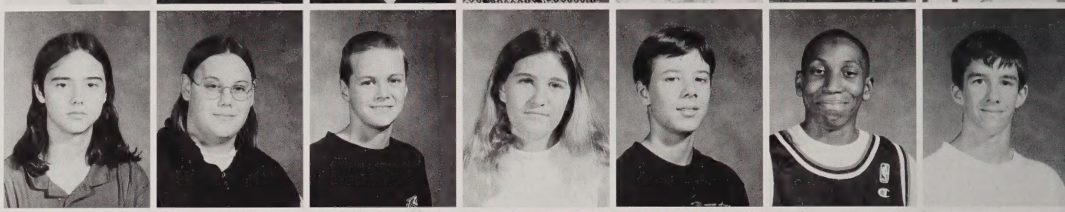

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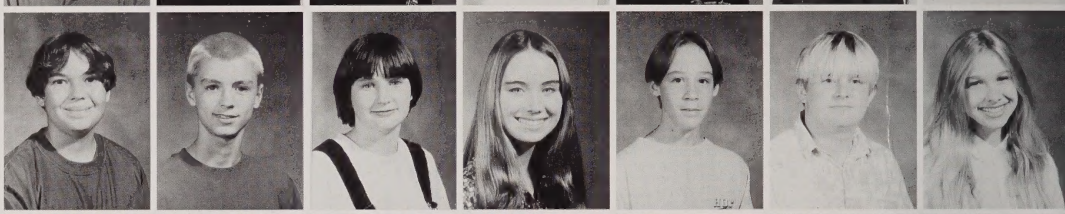

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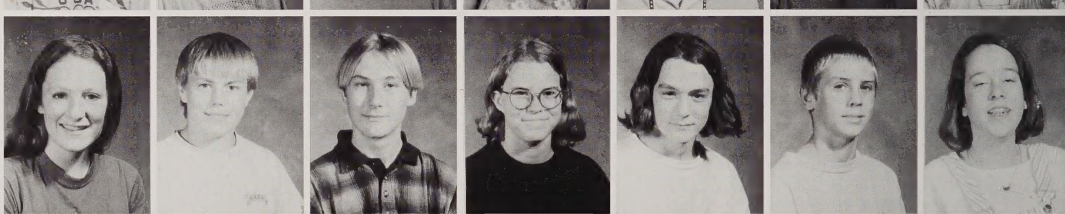

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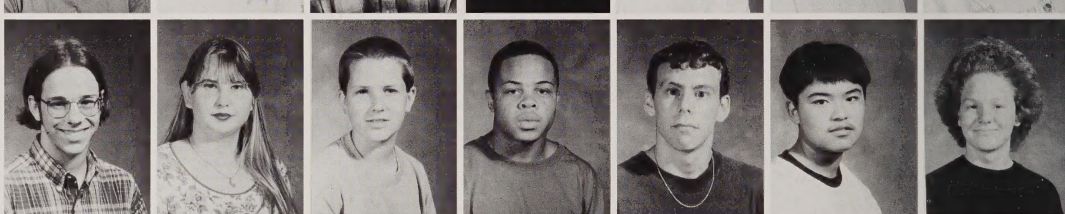

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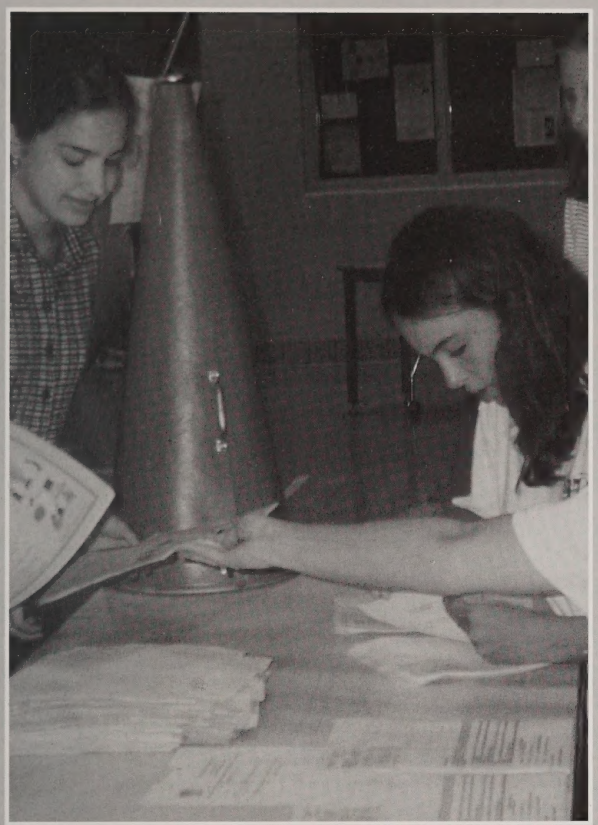
Kmari Webster
Amy Whedbee

A Glimpse of High School



Members of the SCA helped to register students and give them information about different activities and clubs. Most students agreed that one of the ways to make the most out of high school was to get involved.

With anticipation and curiosity, the class of 2000 piled into the gym to get a real taste of high school in the perspectives of the upperclassmen. The freshmen were bombarded with new rules and new information to digest. The idea of leaving campus for lunch and swimming in the pool on the third floor was erased from their minds as visions of exams, SAT's, and grade point averages entered. Orientation also gave freshmen a glimpse of the dress code and tardy policies as well as the people who helped to make their freshmen year as exciting and rewarding as it was. Sponsored by the SCA, freshmen had the opportunity to see that being involved at school was fun and rewarding. Ryan O'Donnell commented, "I realized at Orientation that a way to meet people and contribute to my high school experience was to get involved." It was at Orientation that students became excited about the next four years of their life.

Alanette White
Jimmy White
Ronald White
Erica Whiting
Austin Wigglgton
Becca Willis
Cornelius Willoughby

Angie Wilson
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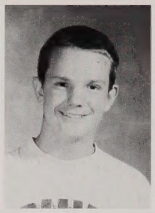
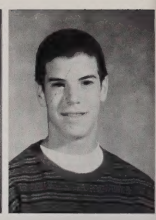
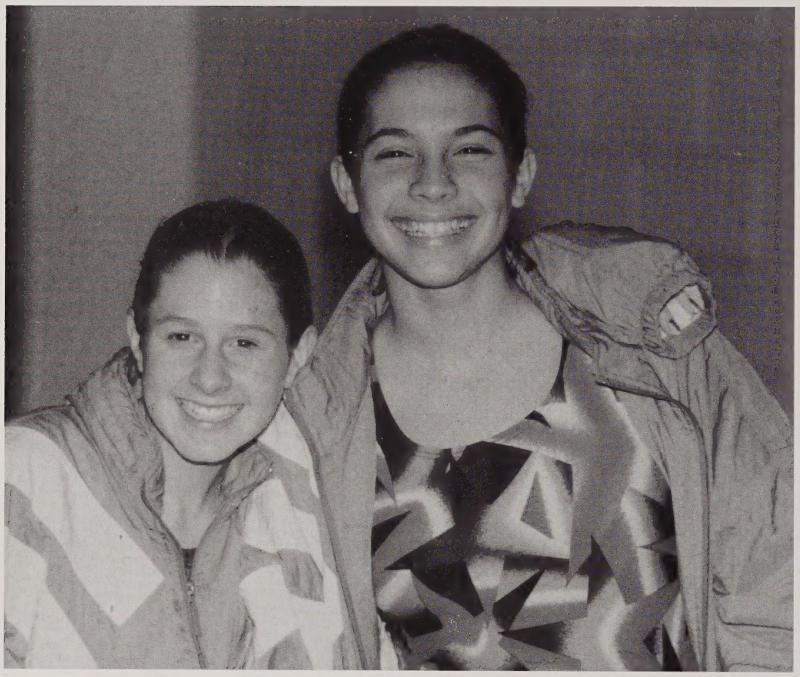
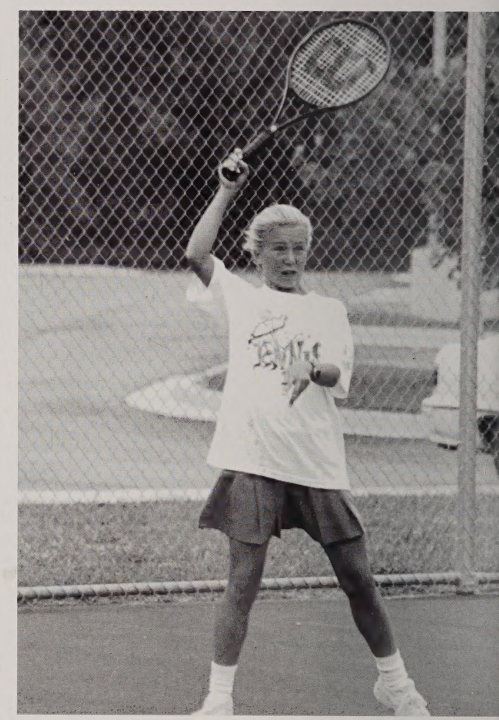




Freshman

Class of 2000

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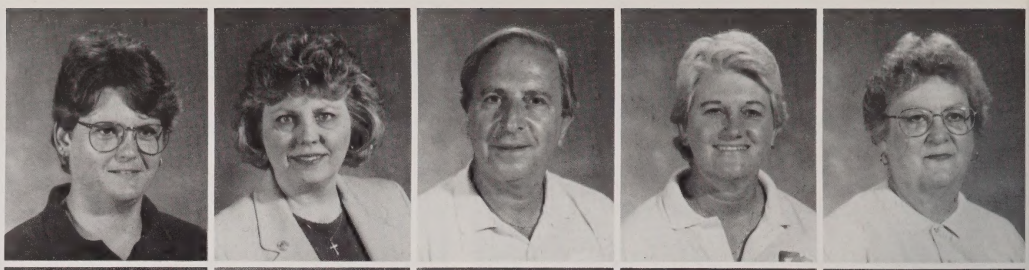

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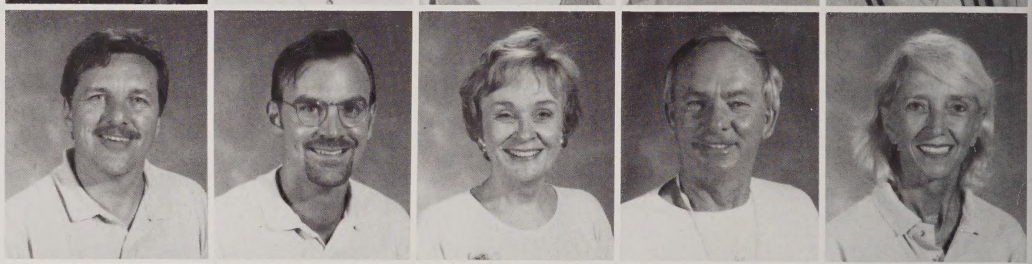

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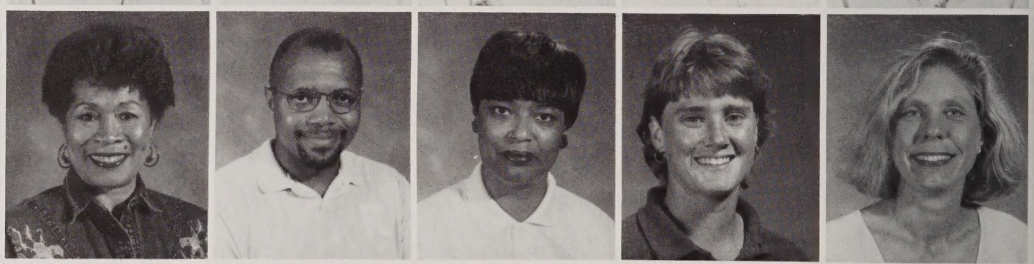

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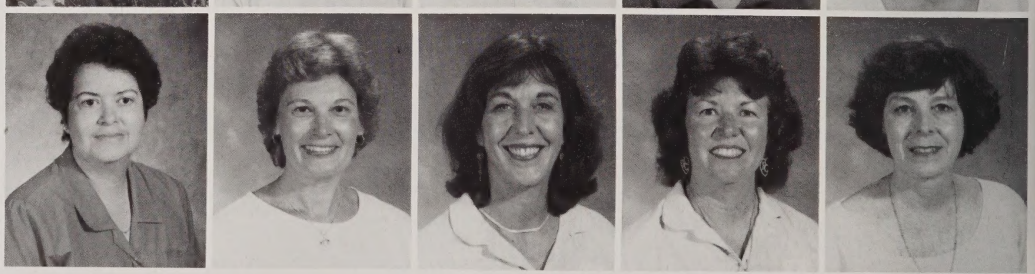


Providing students with encouragement and the skills to succeed, Dr. Stowers, Mrs. Caldwell, Ms. Anthony, and Mr. Hill take a break from their normal routines for a picture. They not only worked well together as administrators, but they worked well together as friends and colleagues.

Administration

When the going got tough for students and teachers, the tough got going for four very respected people. Under the rejuvinated leadership of Dr. Stowers, Mrs. Caldwell, Ms. Anthony, and Mr. Hill found it easy to set goals and push their students to reach more than their potential. Mr. Hill commented, "My goals are to set the highest academic standards possible so our students are a notch above the rest. If they want to get a job, they will have to acquire the knowledge and the skills to do so."

Whether sitting in on classes, walking around the halls, attending club or administrative meetings, and even during disciplining cases, all administrators, new and old, could be found making school more enjoyable and providing students with the ability and the encouragement to be a "notch above the rest."

Kandy Cross
Joanne Curry
Nancy Curtis
Chris Deloglos
Pete DeWolf

Barbara Doran
Betsy Durrant
Juanita Felton
Charlie Fishel
Dave Frazier

Todd Fritz
Page Gay
Michael Gilliatt
Gail Gordan
Jean Gordon

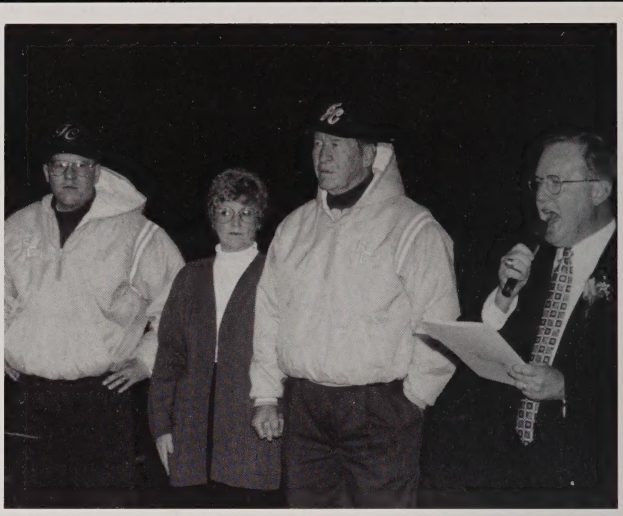
Webster Field

During the Homcoming football game on November first, Dr. Stowers christened the athletic field, "Frank Webster Field". Coach Webster had spent almost thirty-seven years on the those sidelines either coaching or assisting. Thirty of those said years were spent as the patriot football team head coach.

Coach Webster reached an amazing record of 223-85-8 as he led his troops to ten district titles and three crowns. In 1989, Coach Webster was awarded "The Most Winningest Coach in Virginia" and has been awarded the Coach of the Year Award seven times.

Obtaining the name and sign which would commemorate Webster Field was not an easy feat. School board policy prohibited the naming of school buildings after any people, living or dead, but an exception was made in this case.

Frank Webster's career did not, however, end with the naming of a field. He still planned on coaching, keeping up with the team meetings and weekday practices. In fact, almost every afternoon along Mill Dam and Great Neck Roads, Coach Webster could be seen on his daily run.



On November 1, during the Homecoming football game, Frank Webster and his wife humbly listen as Dr. Stowers commends his thirty years of service as head football coach. The athletic field was officially named Webster Field in his honor.

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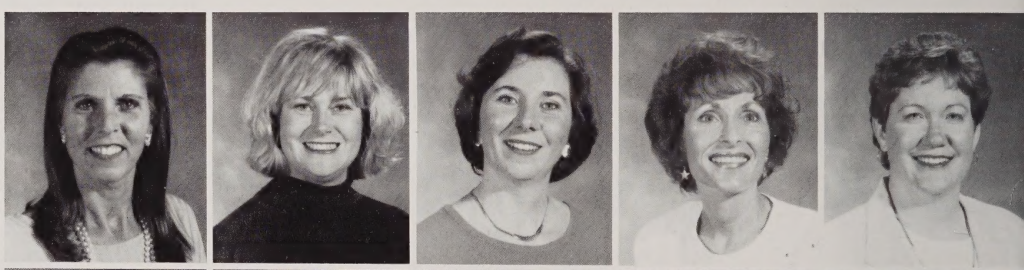

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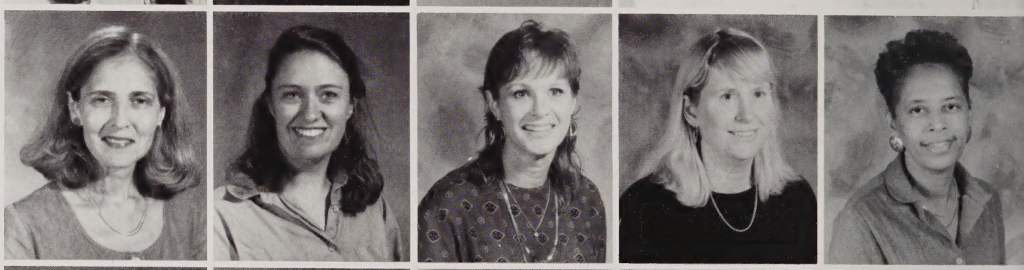

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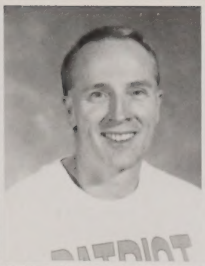

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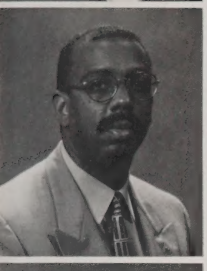

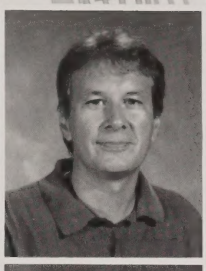

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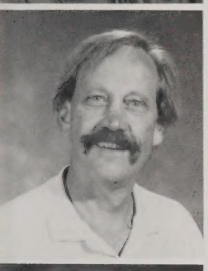

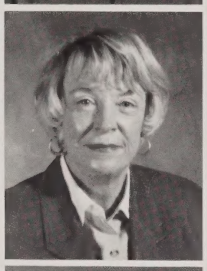

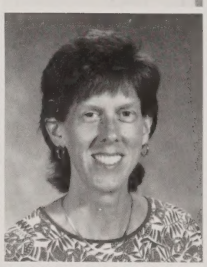

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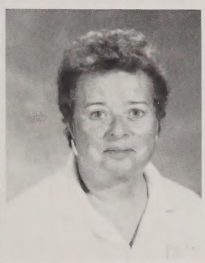
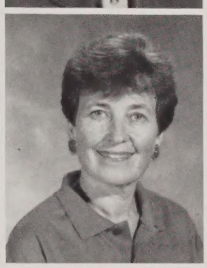
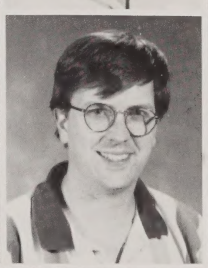
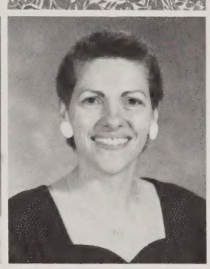

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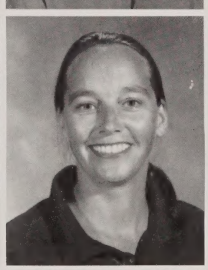
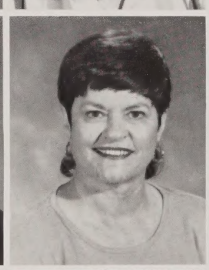
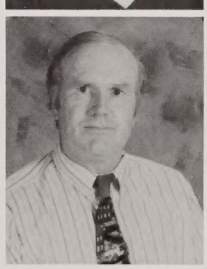

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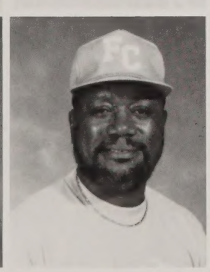

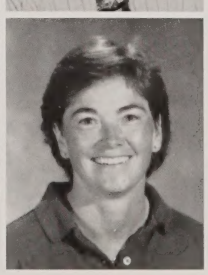

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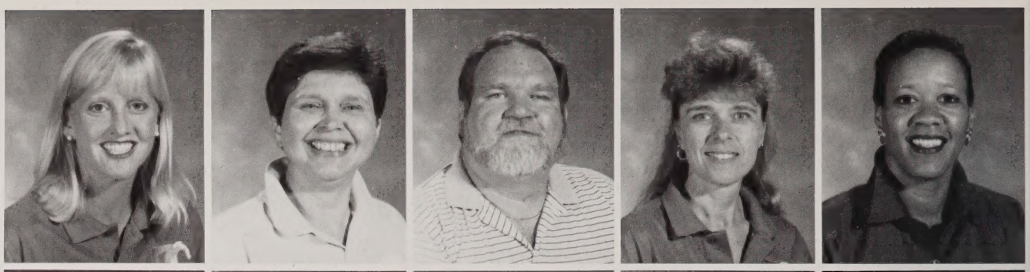

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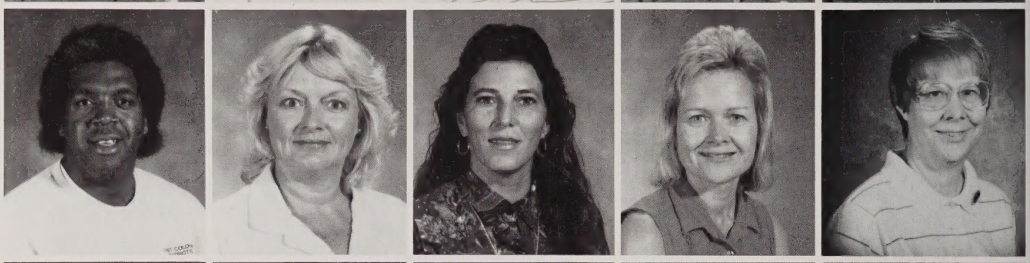

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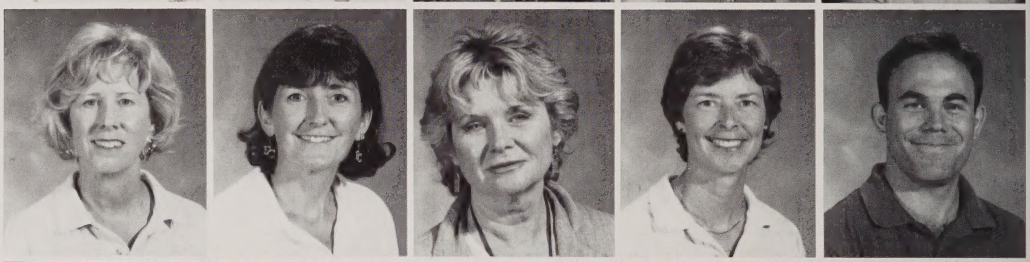

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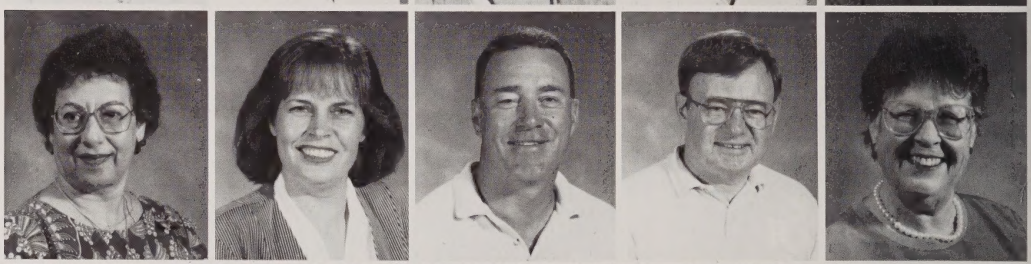

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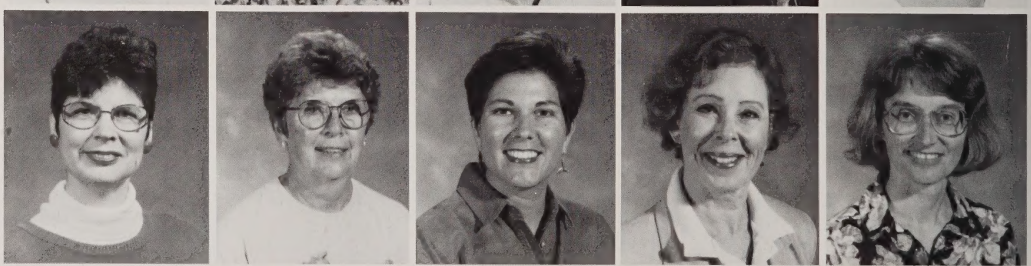


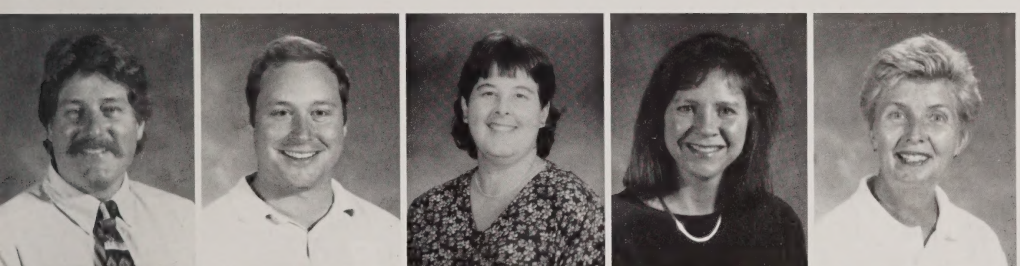
Teacher of the Year

Assisting students in their labs and dissections. Mrs. Mannarino demonstrates the proper procedure. One-on-one sessions with students were some of the many tasks Mrs. Mannarino encountered throughout the day.

Mrs. Mannarino exemplified everything a teacher should be: considerate, going above and beyond the call of duty, getting her students involved, and most specifically, she did everything in her power to make sure her students found science as exciting as she did. Because of those intangible qualties, Mrs. Mannarino was named teacher of the year for 1996-97. She commented, "I was honored and pleasently surprised to be elected "Teacher of the Year". What a great feeling."

This feeling and honor didn't just come overnight; it took a lot of hard work and dedication. Mrs. Mannarino was not only an exceptional teacher, but the Freshmen class sponsor and Environmental Club sponsor as well. Being a club sponsor took up a lot of her precious time, but the student involvement and the excitement she saw from those involved were all the rewards she needed to keep going.

Hard work, dedication, and the will to make school enjoyable were some of Mrs. Mannarino's distinguished qualities.



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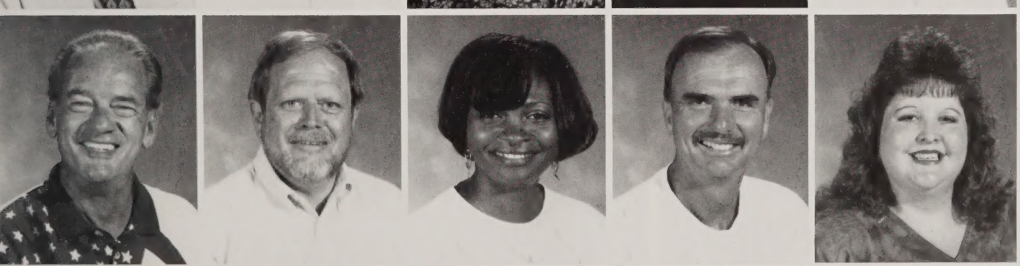

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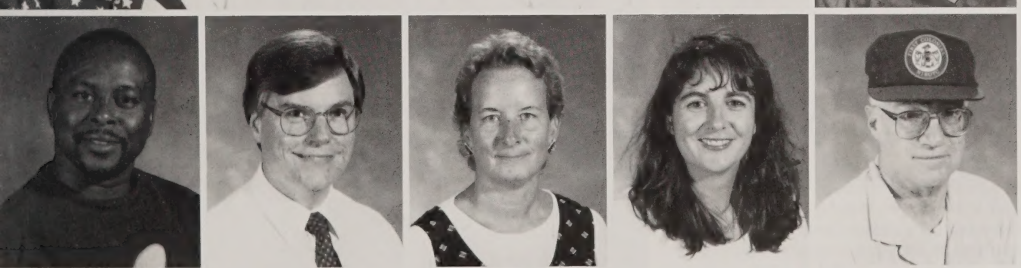


Carlton Winston
Dan Wolfe
Dell Young
Mimi Zerr
Frank Zurschmit

Faculty

First Class

A new school year was always special to the first class faculty. New classes, new students, and the new building addition provided the inspiration for the teaching staff. Within the faculty were many new faces in several departments. But not only were there new faculty members, the staff acquired a new principal, Dr. Don Stowers who transferred from Green Run High. His smiling face was seen almost daily outside as the buses arrived and throughout the school day in the hallways. He even was seen quite frequently on hall duty in front of the library. Dr. Stowers brought a positive attitude, a smiling face to the students and staff and brought his love of understanding and working with young people.

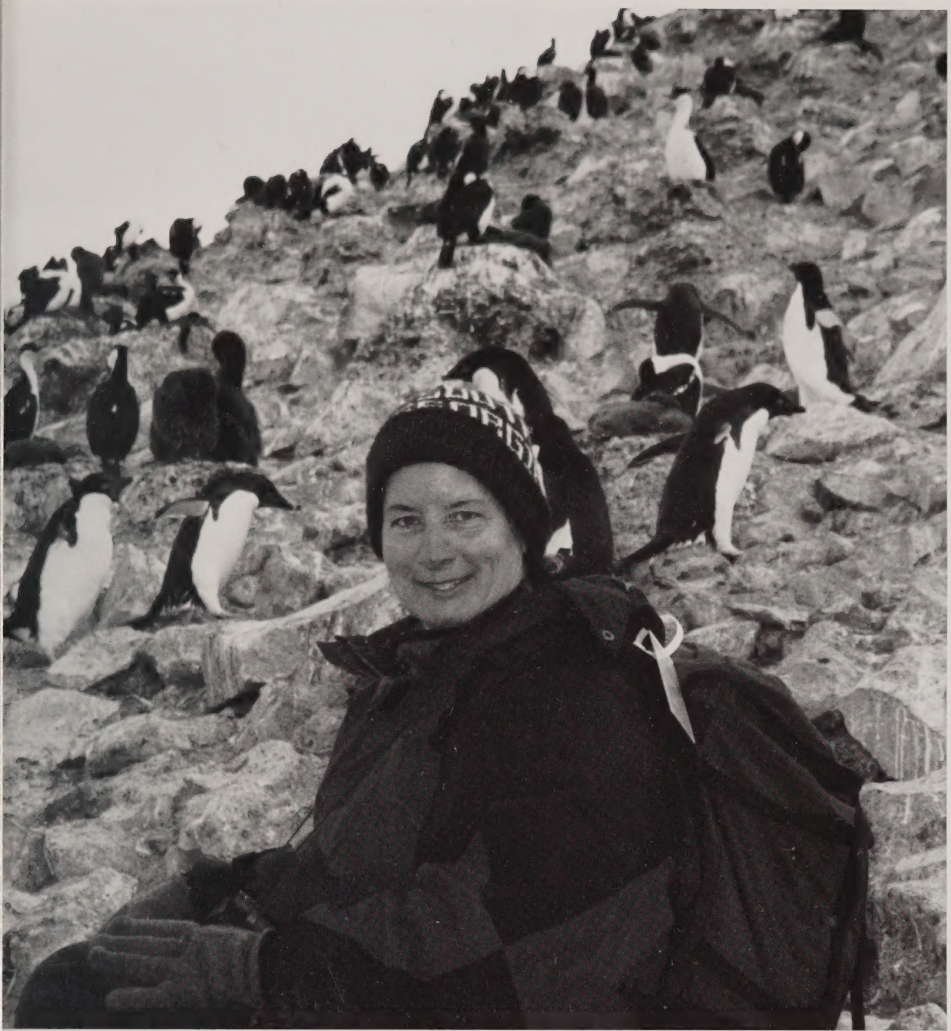
Another new face that was seen was that of Officer Dan D'Ambrosio. He began as the first ever School Resource Officer as part of a city-wide program for each of the high schools. The objective of this program was to build a stable bridge between law enforcement and the public schools. Officer Dan handled on-campus problems and provided the students, faculty, and staff with support. Officer Dan said of his work, "Building successful relationships between students, parents, and staff is very rewarding; in life success comes with a greater challenge."

After the first semester, assistant principal Jobynia Caldwell accepted the position of principal at Bayside Middle School. That left an empty spot which was quickly filled by Mr. Gene Jones who transferred from Great Neck Middle to serve as assistant principal. Mr. Jones is a graduate of Norfolk Catholic High and earned degrees at Boston University and Old Dominion University. He is presently in the School of Education Doctoral Program at Virginia Tech. Mr. Jones was a former social studies teacher having taught in the Norfolk and Hampton school systems.

With all the new faces and changes for the year, the faculty quickly adjusted and kept the optimistic spirit needed for a successful year with students and staff members.

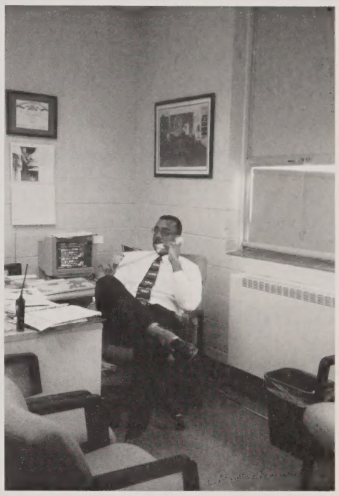
The faculty football team managed to maintain their smiles even after playing an exhausting football game in the extremely cold weather. Lead by quarterback Arlene Keener, they defeated the students in the premier Powder Puff Football Game. Both teams spent an enjoyable evening of passing, catching, running, and attempting to score. Despite the chilly weather, both teams were eager to come head-to-head again next year.

During one of the many home football games, Dr. Donald E. Stowers reaches into a metal canister while numerous wishful thinkers look on with hope reflecting in their eyes. Dr. Stowers was given the priviledge of drawing the name of the lucky $10,000 winner of the baseball team's raffle.



Dell Young takes a moment to pose with the penguins during her trip to Anartica over Christmas break. Mrs. Young and Mr. Harry Jackson accompanied a research crew on their expedition to the South Pole.

Taking care of some administrative matters is the new Vice-Principal Mr. Gene Jones. Mr. Jones arrived at the beginning of February from Great Neck Middle following the transfer of Mrs. Jobynia Caldwell.



Resource Officer Dan D'Ambrosio enjoys a laugh with the students in Mrs. Ross's seventh bell government class. Dan's smiling face was often seen throughout the halls as he maintained a safe and pleasant scholastic environment.

The members of the women's faculty basketball team smile after their victory. The faculty, although slightly older and out of practice, still managed to easily defeat the students in the BCC sponsored student-faculty basketball game.

FaCe off

As a proud patriot gazed into the eyes of his swarthy opponent, he could not help but study the face behind the helmet. "Hut, hut, hike!", and the face disappeared. Field hockey players would stare into the face of a mouthguard-clad opponent before they stealthily stole the ball. Emotions always ran high as the soccer players stormed the field and often came head-to-head with the competition. But the sport of wrestling revolved around getting in the opponent's face and taking care of business which meant pinning as soon as possible in order to score a win. The swimmer in the blue and gold cap would sneak a peek at the swimmers in the adjacent lanes as he or she sailed out of the water for a breath. No matter in which sport the student participated, there were always certain kinds of glances and body language used to illicit special psychological tricks of the trade in order to "Face off" with the opposition.

Facial Expressions

"The tennis season was great, even though we lost a lot of seniors." -Amber Miller, freshman
"The soccer season went well. I hope to make varsity next year." -Jared Anderson, sophomore
"The field hockey team was composed of all different kinds of people who united on the field. -Paige Townsend, junior
"Athletics require a great deal of dedication. This year the teams at F.C. did very well." -Mike Farraher, senior

Keeping a constant, watchful eye on the ball, Mary Lenhart anticipates the other team's serve. Good concentration and strategy planning allowed Mary to keep one step ahead of her opposition.

At a home football game, Ellen Kuchac and Jennifer Lovett lead the supportive crowd in an encouraging cheer. Through the good or bad weather, the cheerleaders were always there spurring on the team.

Guarding the goal, Carrie Niemann pays close attention to the ball being manueverd down the field. The goalies' position was vital to denying the other team any scoring possibilities.

Just Kick It

Varsity Girls' Soccer

Starting out the season with a series of scrimages against various Northern Virginia teams, the Lady Patriots' Soccer team set high standards for the upcoming season. The Varsity Girls' team finished with another winning season. With a record of 7-2, they placed third in the district. The team did better than the regional poll predicted which was a great accomplishment.

Unity, hard work, and positive thinking were just a few of the Lady Patriots' many strengths. They were willing to play any position to help the team and had a great attitude. Avery Willis and Tara Refo were noted as the Most Valuable Players, while Helena Machaj was named the Most Improved Player. Whether out on the field or on the bench, each person played an important role on the team.

The Varsity Girls came very close to upsetting Cox, one of the most challenging teams in the district. According to Coach Janet Rowlands, "It was a very good year! We are still rebuilding, and as we do we are always a threat to the leaders." The team showed enthusiasm when playing all Northern Virginia and district teams which helped to keep up their spirits. They always tried to have a positive attitude and whether the team lost or won the game each person was considered a winner.

Hope Breckenridge commented "We had a great season this year, and I'm sure we will improve and do even better next year." The Varsity Girls' Soccer team will remember the good times they had together and know that they did their best.

Keeping an eye on the ball, Karen Wheeler prepares to clear the ball down the field. Karen was one of three freshman new to the team, along with Jamie Collins and Lisette Vitale.

FIRST ROW: Holly Cooper, Catherine deGruy, Tara Refo SECOND ROW: Jamie Collins, Avery Willis, Lisette Vitale, Candace Burley, Sabrina Fenton, Kristyn Konich, Elise Weinburg, Helena Machaj THIRD ROW: Ed Becker, Hope Breckenridge, Jennifer Ackerman, Carrie Niemann, Melissa Zitron, Lisa Neely, Karen Wheeler, Ann Crenshaw

Looking for a teammate in a good receiving position, Hope Breckenridge dribbles the ball down the field. Being able to move the ball forward without looking at it, made it easier to know when to pass or kick the ball.

Scores

0	Robinson	5
2	Woodbridge	5
0	Hylton	4
2	Garfield	4
6	Bayside	0
8	Ocean Lakes	0
2	Princess Anne	1
3	Green Run	0
2	Cox	3
4	Kellam	1
3	Tallwoood	1
1	Kempsville	2
4	Salem	0

Scanning the field for an open teammate, Avery Willis prepares to kick the ball. The ability to quickly spot an opening was a skill constantly developed in practice.

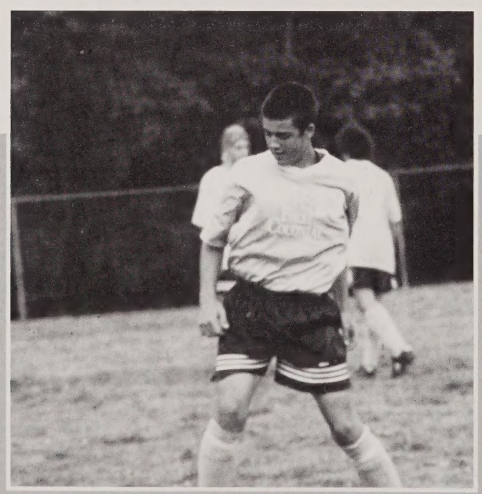
Getting ready to kick the ball, Sabrina Fenton watches it closely as she brings her leg back for the kick. Knowing the position of the ball contributed effectively to dribbling, passing, and kicking quickly.

Kicking Grass
Boys' Varsity Soccer

With the expert coaching of Joe Tucei, the Boys' Varsity soccer team played their way to yet another winning season. The team held daily after school practices which enabled them to display their skills and composure on the field in every game. The key players were Corey Fogle, Craig Collins, Jeff Pluta, Jesse Haris, Joey Brocious, Drew Gilmer, Ryan Beshany, Rob O'Donnell, Tim Scott, Danny Chung and Kevin Coster. Led by these players the team ended the season with an amazing record of 13-4 and tied for second in the Beach District.

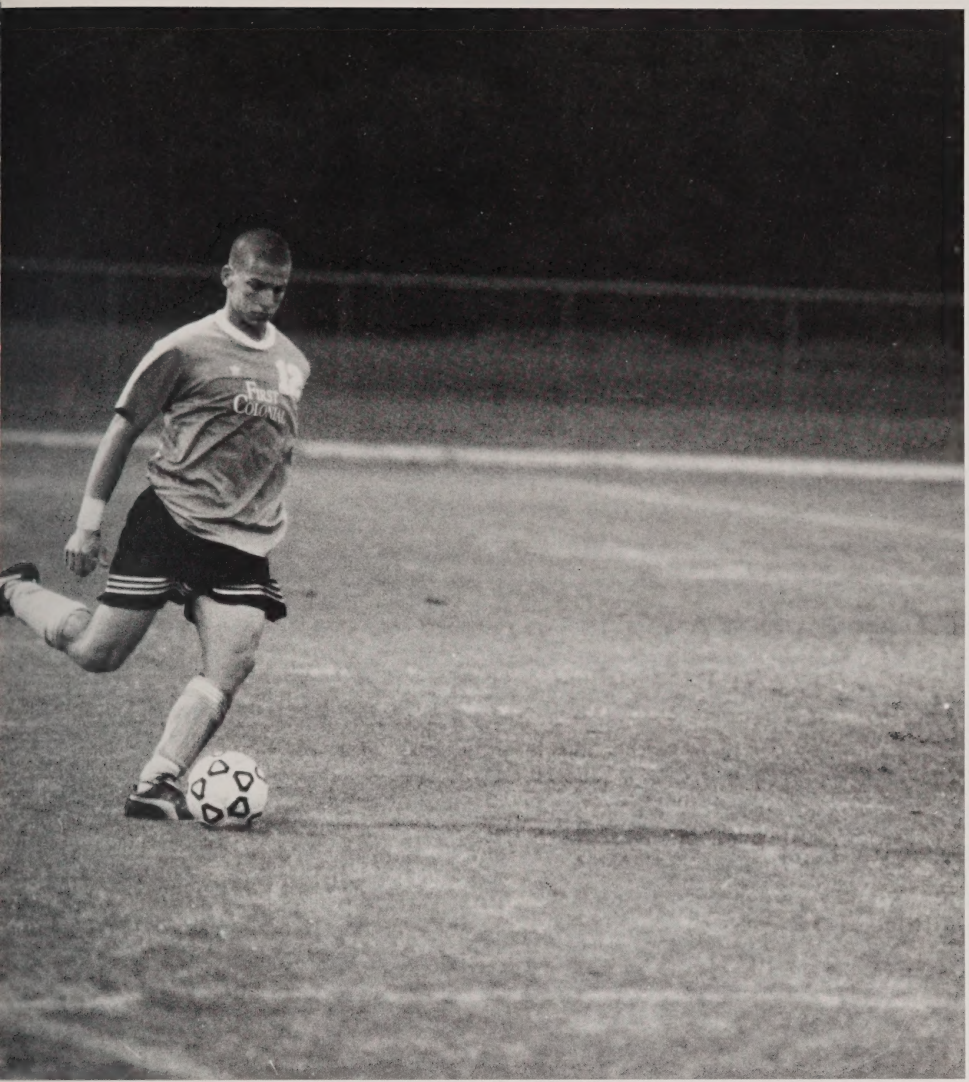
The team was lifted by the most valuable players, Joey Broscious and goalkeeper Corey Fogle, in the Beach District Tournament game against Princess Anne. Fogle was faced with two penalty kicks during the game. With skill and pure luck, he saved both attempts to keep the Patriots actively in the game. Only 10 minutes were left in the second half when Joey Broscious half-volleyed the ball into the corner of the goal to give his team the victory. Rob O'Donnell commented, "I was flabbergasted when Corey made those two great saves, I've never seen that amount of skill displayed in one game."

All in all, the Boys' Varsity Soccer team had a "kickin" season. With their in-your-face attitudes and powerful physical play, this team was unstoppable. Other players feared them, other coaches admired them, and our students valued them. Luke Hopwood, a sophomore, exclaimed, "And you thought this season was good, wait, just wait until next year!"



Dribbling the ball towards the goal, Luke Hopwood steers clear of the other team. Luke's determination led to many victorious games.

Front Row: Drew Gilmer, Paul Smartschan, Jeff Pluta, Jake Wakefield, Nick Pantalo, Kent Pruitt, Pat Crawford Second Row: Mr. Joe Tucei, Jake Giles, Tim Scott, Jesse Harris, Craig Collins, Ryan Beshany, Joe Brocious, Rob O'Donnell, Dan Fries



Taking charge, Rob O'Donnell clears the ball from the back field. Advancing the ball downfield was each team members' job in order to make a goal.

Keeping Score

2 Bayside 0
2 Ocean Lakes 0
2 Princess Anne 0
3 Green Run 0
2 Cox 1
0 Kellam 1
2 Tallwood 1
1 Kempsville 2
3 Salem 1
District Tournament
1 Princess Anne 0
1 Kempsville 3

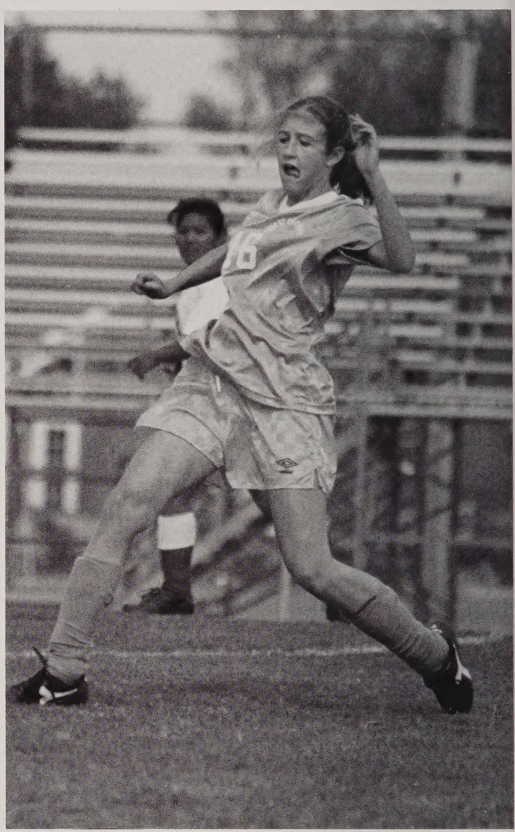
Keeping the competition at arm's length, Tim Scott sprints after the ball. Tim always managed to stay one step ahead of the opposition.

While avoiding the competition, Danny Chung expertly manuevers the ball down the field. Daily runs up and down the bleachers were essential for developing smooth moves.

Aiming for the Top

Junior Varsity Girls' Soccer

Moving in for the kill, Suzie Birdsong makes an attempt to steal the ball from her opponent. Speed and aggressiveness were important attributes for all team members.



With a smile on their faces and pride in their hearts, the Junior Varsity Girls' soccer team ended the season triumphantly. The girls were able to accomplish this status by practicing various drills which developed their strength, agility and speed every day after school. Coach Holly Knapp worked with the girls at practices and helped them develop their skills and strategies. Always seen on the sidelines during the games was Coach Knapp calling words of encouragement to the girls. Key players, Suzie Birdsong, Becca Deal, Meagan Robertson, Katie Miller, Susan Sidone, and Erin Kennedy worked together to claim their victories. Over the course of the season, the team developed a bond that resulted in very efficient teamwork. This characteristic allowed the girls to focus on their games and meet the goals they had set. With determination and practice, the team built a solid defense and an impressive offense. Becca Deal commented, "We had a really good team this year and we worked hard to win each game." As the season came to a close, the girls looked back on their season much pride.

Keeping Score

W Princess Anne
W Salem
L Kempsville
W Kellam
W Green Run
W Tallwood
T Cox W Ocean Lakes

Ahead of her opponents, Meagan Robertson dribbles the ball toward the goal. Meagan's skill and style was evident on the field.

With skill and ease, Becca Deal saves the ball from drifting out of bounds. Becca moved the ball with perfection on the field.

FRONT ROW: Becca Deal, Katie Miller SECOND ROW: Julie Larnd, Adrienne Crisp, Ashley Gretz, Melissa Macomber, Lindsey Ritter, Erin Kennedy, Graham Strickler, Erin Miller THIRD ROW: Lisa Gigliotti, Melanie Crisp, Meagan Robertson, Susan Sidone, Sarah Baumstimler, Suzie Birdsong, Jenni Stilwell, Becky Spangler, Coach Holly Knapp

Striving for Victory
Junior Varsity Boys' Soccer

Goal keeper, Sean Killion dribbles the ball down the field. Sean continued to develop his skill levels throughout the season.

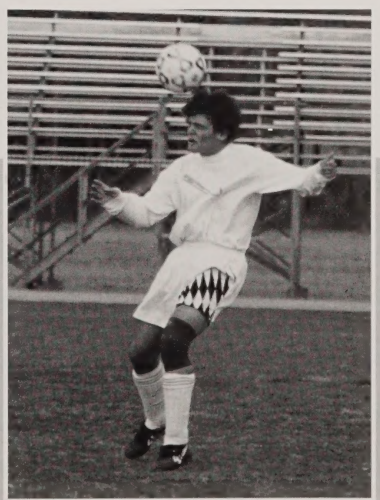
The Junior Varsity Boys' soccer team ended the season successfully with a final record of 7-0-1 which named them the team to beat. With a combination of dedication and skill, the boys worked together from one victory to another.

The key players, Danny Chung, Ross Fickenscher, Rob Paulsen, Ryan Balsly, and Blake Tempelman, dedicated themselves to working hard and developing team cooperation. During the season, the team built an unstoppable offense and defense that could not be broken. Coach, Jim Lasher advised the team on plays and assisted them in their quest for victory. Goal keeper, Sean Killion committed his skill and talent to assisting in many wins. As the season went on, many valuable bonds were formed which resulted in strong team unity. Aiming for victory against every opposition, the Junior Varsity Boys' soccer team was able to end their season in the number two spot for the district. Ross Fickenscher declared, "We prepared, prepared, and practiced. And that's what made us so good."

Keeping Score

W Princess Anne
W Kempsville
W Salem
W Green Run
W Kellam
W Tallwood
T Cox W Ocean Lakes

FRONT ROW: Scott Pluta, Ryan Balsly, Darren Dorfman, Justin Judge, Sean Killion, Jared Anderson, Kevin Costner, Ryan Schalles, Rob Wright SECOND ROW: Luke Hopwood, Mike Brinn, Rip Gorden, Ross Fickenscher. Robert Paulsen, Danny Chung, Blake Templeman, Justin Cross, Chandler Davis, Matt Embroski

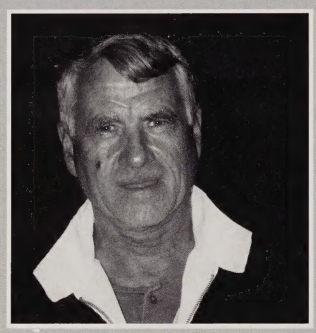


With incredible ease, Ryan Balsly heads the ball. Ryan played full back and was an important asset to the team.

Competing for control, Rob Wright makes an attempt at heading the ball. Rob's hard work for the team resulted in him being one of the starting players.

Finishing First
Track

Completing another sensational spring season, both boys' and girls' teams were absolutely excellent in every event from the high jump to the shot put. This year's track athletes did not reach their success without intense practicing and hard work. The coaches, Mr. Leslie Benjamin for girls', and Mr. Charlie Fishel for boys', developed a strict six day practice schedule. This schedule helped the team members gain the skills and experience that were essential for victory Along with these two coaches, the team also received guidance from Dr. Jim Kollar, the shot put and discus expert, and Mike Coliacova, a coaching assistant. The season's motto was "All good things come to he who works and waits provideth he worketh like heck while he waiteth." The team agreed that the season helped them build confidence, skills, and friendships that would be applied in track and in everyday life.



There were many individual stars that contributed to the overall team's success. Jenni Stilwell, a freshman, was voted Most Valuable Player for the 1996 season. Jenni excelled in track, and competed in the district tournament along with Brian Kollar and Dan Baxley. The girls thirty-two hundred relay team was made up of Grace Bonney, Lindsey Ritter, Hollis Rifkin, and Emily Goodman. Grace Bonney and Rachel Bradley also participated in the two-mile-run, these girls were really in shape! Other exceptional track athletes included Eric Miller and Jason Dolney.

Team work and individual efforts, hard work, and positive attitude gave the track team a memorable and exceptional season.

Preparing her body to release the shot put, Heather McKee concentrates intensely. Heather also competed in the discus event.

FRONT ROW: Liz Drew, Dalia Gonzalez, Megan Bunts, Heather McKee, Rachel Bradley, Jenni Stilwell, Grace Bonney, and Hollis Rifkin. SECOND ROW: Jodi Bierman, Alfonzo Washington, S. Jenkins, Kim Gregory, Ebony Brown, Kawa Palmer, Adam Powell, Dan Baxley, Kristin Johnson, Micheal Gallager. THIRD ROW: Leslie Benjamin, Raymond Johnson, Micheal Farraher, J.P. Hebert, Ryan Reagan, Herbert Bright, Brian Kollar, Andy Hucks, Eric Miller, and Dr. Kollar.

Sailing through the air with a smile on her face, Liz Drew prepares for her landing in the long jump. Liz was a strong individual athlete that contributed many strong efforts to the team.

District Tournament

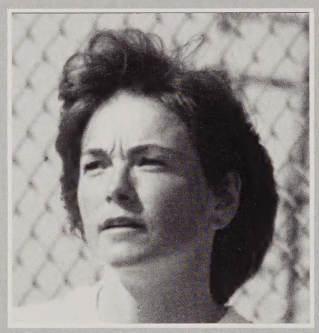
F.C. 62
Green Run 87
Kellam 84
Salem 83
Tallwood 72
Cox 50
Kempsville 32
Ocean Lakes 27
Bayside 19
Princess Anne 10

Spinning his arms around, Andy Hucks prepares to throw the discus. With the training given by Dr. Jim Kollar, the athletes received excellent advice both in discus and shot put.

Pulling her body over the hurdle, Dalia Gonzalez sucessfully clears each of the ten in the 100 hurdles.. Intense conditioning prepared the atheletes for competetive events like this one.

Drive it, drive it
Varsity Softball

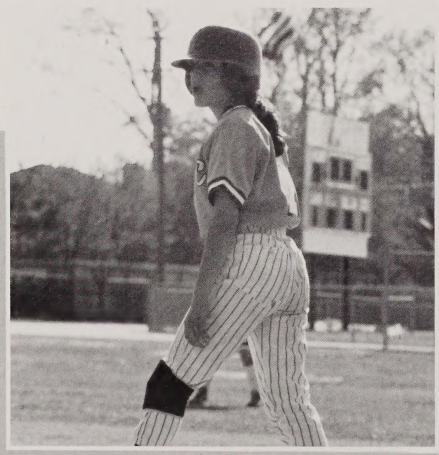
"Team unity and positive attitudes," responded Coach Jeannie Noll when asked for two outstanding characteristics of her Varsity Softball Team. The team was quite young this year with only two seniors; Tracy Sonney and Katy Walters. Despite the youth of the team the girls had years of experience and a multitude of talents.



One of the most challenging games for these Lady Patriots was against Princess Anne, one of the top teams in the state. Even though the team experienced several losses, they were determined to prove their skills to Princess Anne, and took the field with heads held high. Fielding and batting were difficult in the cold rain, but the tough players would not give up. The outcome of the battle was an unfortunate 3-1 loss, but it was still one of the best games they had ever played.

Coach Noll depended on her key starters: Kim Castora, Lynsey Gore, Kathryn Morrissey, Shannon Rush, Tracy Sonney, and Katy Walters to be the strength and support for the rest of the girls. Co-captains Tracy Sonney and Kim Castora displayed their leadership skills as they led the team onto the field for each game.

The grueling season was definitely trying for the girls. Hours of practice every day after school and over spring break as well proved to further the talent of the team. The team also spent many hours fund-raising in order to get the softball field equipped with electricity. Kathryn Morrissey commented, "With all the hard work we put in this year, next year we will win. It's our turn to bring home the title!"



Watching the third-base coach, co-captain Kim Castora awaits the steal signal. Stealing bases was one of the key ways to score in the challenging softball games.

FIRST ROW: Tracy Sonney, Kim Castora SECOND ROW: Shannon Rush, Kathryn Morrissey, Ashley Munn, Lyndsey Gore, Amanda Minehan THIRD ROW: Coach Jeannie Noll, Mary Lenhart, Melissa MacDonald, Katy Walters, Michelle McGovern, Assistant Coach Dawn Hoppe

Snagging a fly ball in her glove, Shannon Rush makes the final out of the inning. Shannon was a key player on offense and defense for the Lady Patriots.

Keeping Score

L Bayside
W Green Run
L Salem
L Kempsville
L Cox
L Kellam
L Princess Anne
W Ocean Lakes
L Bayside
L Tallwood
L Green Run
L Salem
L Cox
L Kellam
L Kempsville

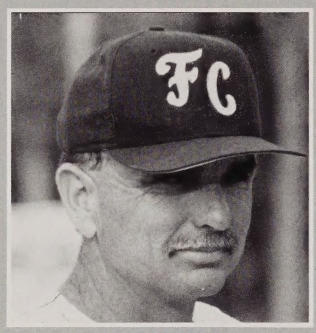
Dressed in their softball uniforms, Kim Castora, Melissa MacDonald, and Manda Minehan jog before a game. Coach Noll required this as a pre-game warm-up.

Carefully eyeing the batter, Tracy Sonney is prepared to field anything that comes her way. Along with being a co-captain, Tracy was also named the team's Most Valuable Player.

On the Ball

Varsity Boys' Baseball

The Varsity Baseball team, led by Coach Norbie Wilson, concluded their season with a winning record of 19-6 for the fifteenth consecutive year. One of the main factors which assisted the team was pre-season training in the fall. During this time, the team members concentrated on building strength by lifting weights, running distances, and studying game plans of the opposing teams.



Jeff Butler was given the honor of Most Improved Player, and Nathan Frost and Ed Manley were recognized as the Most Valuable Players. Key players and starters on the team were: Bruce George, Steve Tyler, Nathan Frost, Ed Manley, Steve Johnson, and Parker Friske, Ryan Dunbar, Jeff Butler. Also Ed Manley, Steve Johnson, and Chuck Coulombe contributed their pitching skills.

Beginning with the second game of the season, the boys' fondest memories will always be the ten-inning victory of 3-2 over state champion Cox. The winning home run of that game was hit by Jeff Butler which gave the best taste of victory. A sixteen game winning streak led the team into the district and regional games. The earlier tastes of victory were to be diminished during districts where Cox was simply unbeatable. The other victories against Maury and Ocean Lakes were not enough to keep the team in the playoffs. Coach Wilson remarked," The boys performed very well, and I'm looking forward to next season when I am sure we will surpass even our best past record."

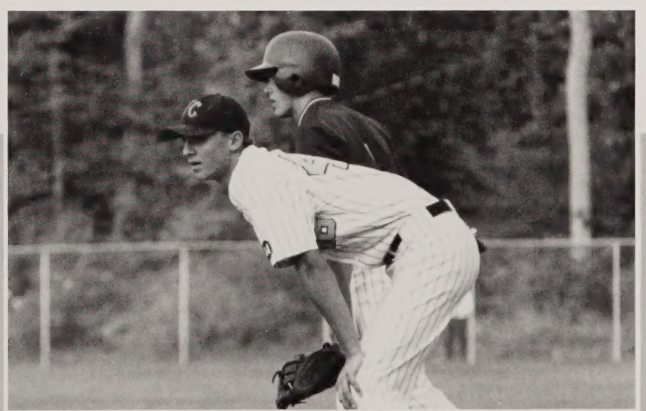
Crouching into position, Bruce George, carefully keeps his eye on the ball. Often overlooked, the catcher was a position which added a great deal to the game play.

FIRST ROW: Chuck Coloumbe, Steve Tyler, Dorman Miner, Steve Buonviri, Nate Frost, Brian Ruzzi, Steve Johnston, Scott Robbins SECOND ROW: Coach Wilson, Bruce George, Scott McLain, Parker Friske, Ryan Dunbar, Ed Manley, Scott Schneider, Matt Large, Jeff Butler, Jimmy Hunt

Quickly stepping up at the plate, Steve Tyler successfully bunts the ball hoping to catch the opposition off guard. Batting techniques which employed psychological game playing were some of the most important skills to develop.

Keeping Score

15 Green Run 1
3 Cox 2
15 Kempsville 2
11 Salem 5
5 Kellam 1
2 Princess Ann 0
9 Ocean Lakes 8
15 Bayside 3
6 Tallwood 3
6 Salem 4
9 Kempsville 0
2 Cox 8
4 Kellam 2
18 Green Run 2
13 Princess Anne 1
7 Ocean Lakes 4
1 Cox 11
13 Ocean Lakes 4
2 Cox 9
5 Maury 4
4 Denbigh 5



Carefully watching, Parker Friske prepares to field a ball.. Whether playing a base or in the outfield, it was always vital to pay close attention to the game.

Crossing home plate, Nathan Frost scores another run. His smart, skillful playing resulted in him being recognized as one of the team's Most Valuable Players.

Hit and Run

Junior Varsity Softball

Keeping her eye on the ball, Stacy Smith gets ready to make a slam hit to the outfield. A good stance, alertness, and a powerful swing contributed to Stacy getting on base.

The Junior Varsity Softball team experienced a great season full of determination, perseverance, and most importantly, teamwork. The team, lead by coach Sandra Bartle, spent most of the year focusing on single skill improvements and the development of future varsity players. The team's leaders were starters Liz Drew, Stacy Smith, Sunshine Miller, and Tamara Lyons.

All the team members agreed that the most memorable event of the season was having to run to Lynnhaven Middle for practice three times a week. The only problem was that the fields were constantly covered in mud, so after a grueling practice session no one left clean.

All of the team's hard work and enthusiasm paid off during the last, very suspenseful game of the season when the girls beat the talented Cox Falconetts. Sunshine Miller summed up her season by commenting, "Out of all my years of softball, this year was the most exciting and definitely the most enjoyable! Coach Bartle and all of my teammates made all of the hard work a great learning experience and a whole lot of fun!"

Keeping Score

W Cox
L Bayside
L Kempsville
L Tallwood
L Kellam
L Green Run
L Princess Anne
L Salem
W Ocean Lakes

Cheering on her teammates, catcher Sunshine Miller stays involved in the game even from behind the plate. Sunshine was always enthusiastic.

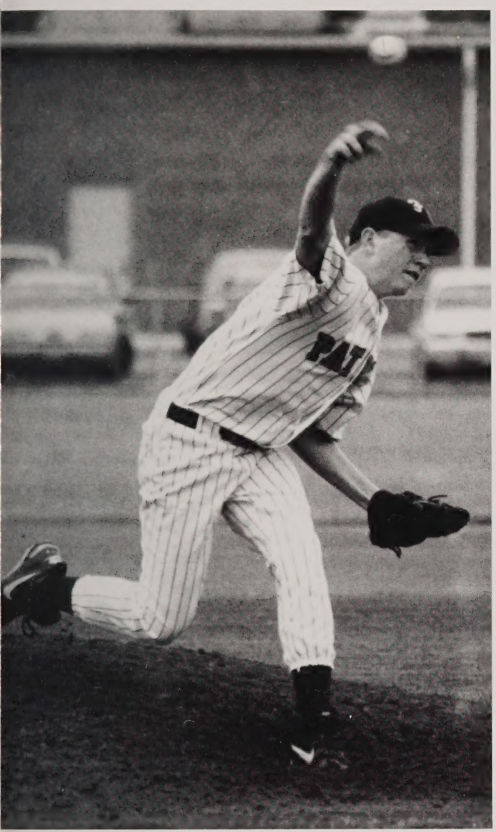
Waiting for the ball, Audrey Harris watches the game very closely. Audrey showed her ability to stay focused throughout the season.

FRONT ROW: Anna-Marie Dubossi, Stacy Smith, Courtney McHenry SECOND ROW: Carrie Fox, Crystal Bullock, Audrey Harris, Kristin Eilet, Becky Schimdt THIRD ROW: Sunshine Miller, Theresa Hall, Liz Drew, Pam Granger, Tamara Lyons, Jenn Moccia, Coach Sandra Bartle

Swinging to Success

Junior Varsity Baseball

hrowing the ball to home plate, Daniel Buttsavage ompletes a great play. Daniel was one of several eshmen members of the team.



The Junior Varsity Baseball team's hard work and steadfast desire to improve their game made for a very exciting season. During the fall and winter months, the team met every afternoon for extensive pre-season training concentrating on skill development and building strength.

Losing the first five games, the team kept a positive, upbeat attitude and the will to improve. But due to their perseverance, they made a come-back in the next couple of games completing the season with a four game winning streak.

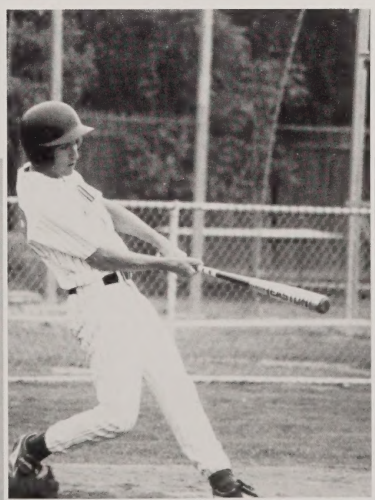
Team starters were Jack Slagle, Joe Dunlap, Scott Hardee, Kevin Knowles, and Jonathan Sanderlin. Jack and Joe were voted the team's Most Valuable Players while Scott was selected as the Most Improved Player.

According to coach Hunt, the most memorable moment of the season was "When James Cummings hit a homerun resulting in the first victory of the season, I knew the team was going to perform well the rest of the year."

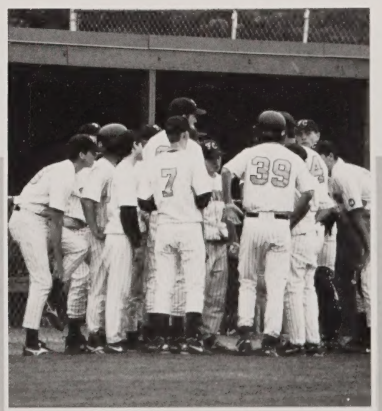
Keeping Score

L Cox
W Green Run
L Kempsville
W Salem
L Kellam
L Princess Anne
W Ocean Lakes
W Bayside
W Tallwood

RONT ROW: James Cummings, Jack Slagle, Joe Dunlap, Scott Hardee SECOND ROW: Ryan Find, Chris Jastrebski, Josh Logan, Ryan Dunlap, Daniel Buttsavage, Mike Brady THIRD ROW: Richard Schinder, Kevin Marlin, Johnny Sanderlin, Rob Farraher, Ron Pittman



As his bat connects with the ball, James Cummings prepares to run to first base. James demonstrated his strength and power with this homerun hit.

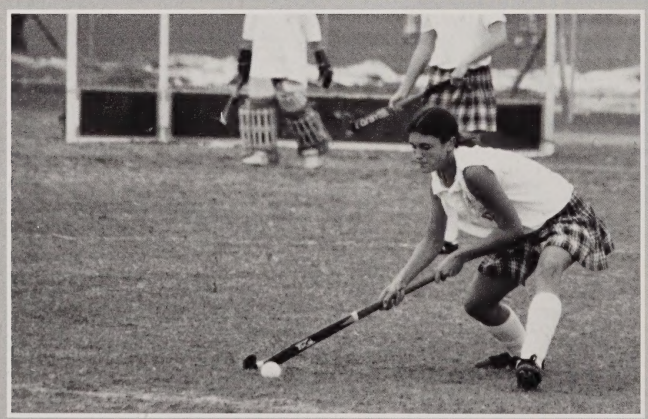


Huddling together before the game, the team discusses the game plays. Coach Hunt reminded them of the opposition's weaknesses and encouraged the boys about their own strengths.

Intercepting a pass, Graham Strickler prepares to take control of the ball. Graham dribbled the ball down the field and passed it to an open teammate which resulted in gaining a score for the team.

Keeping Score

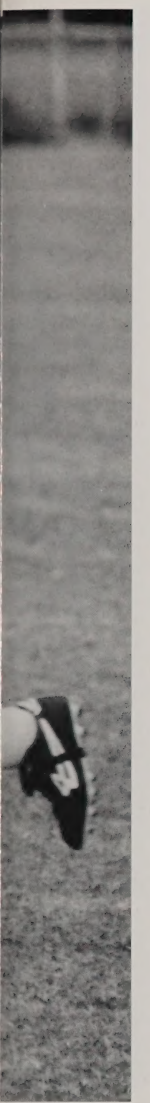
2 Ocean Lakes 0
0 Kempsville 1
0 Cox 3
0 Tallwood 3
0 Kellam 1
1 Salem 0
2 Bayside 0
1 Princess Anne 0
1 Green Run 0



In position and ready, Lisa Gigliotti waits for the whistle to push-pass the ball. Using this technique allowed her to have control and power over the ball.

Waiting anxiously, goalie Carrie Niemann gets in position to stop the ball. Being the last line of defense, it was important for the goalie to be on the alert at all times.

Start to Finish
Varsity Field Hockey



Newcomer Coach Susan Callahan guided the Lady Patriots Field Hockey team through a very successful season. The first game was against Ocean Lakes where the Patriots took home a victory. This first win inspired the girls to continue working hard and together throughout the season. The girls ended the year with a 5-4 record.

The game against Kempsville proved to be the most challenging of the season. The overtime score of 0-1 was disappointing, but rewarding in the fact that they were able to hold back the Lady Chiefs til the end. The results of the next three games were disheartening, but the team refused to give up. They strategized and were determined to fight to the bitter end. Coach Callahan commented, " I knew the girls would pull it together. It just took a little time. They were great to work with and I loved their enthusiasm and dedication to the game."

Led by captains Mary Douglas-Simpson and Helena Machaj, the team displayed the ability to step up to the challenges set before them. Melissa Macomber and Hope Breckenridge were noted as the Most Valuable Players, while Becky Spangler earned the title of Most Improved Player.

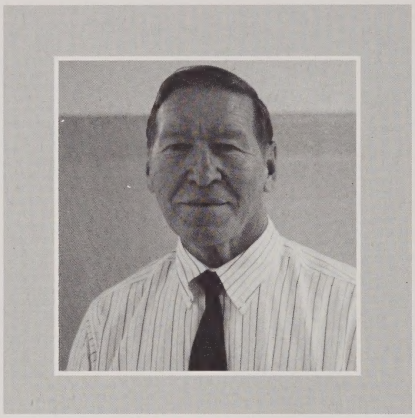
In the first district tournament game, the 3-0 win against Bayside meant that they would play Cox in the semi-finals. Although the Lady Patriots played their best game of the season, Cox won 3-0. Coach Susan Callahan commented, 'We had fun, we learned a lot, and I am looking forward to next year.

FIRST ROW: Jodi Bierman, Elizabeth Batdorf, Helena Machaj, Mary-Douglas Simpson, Carrie Niemann, Megan Kaminski, Hope Breckenridge
SECOND ROW: Becky Spangler, Sarah Baumstimler, Jamie Collins, Lisa Gigliotti, Sarah Dillon, Paige Townsond, Graham Strickler, Melissa Macomber, Sabrina Fenton, Carrie Rosenstock, Coach Susan Callahan

Stopping the ball, Paige Townsend prepares for a quick breakaway. A watchful eye and careful positioning of the ball were required skills for the execution of this technique.

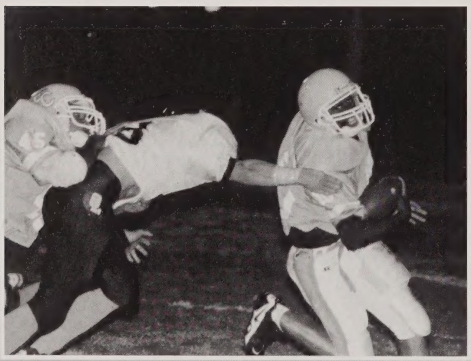
Across the Goaline

Varsity Football



Hut, hut, hike! The Varsity Football team finished the season with a record of 7-3 placing them at an impressive third in the district. Every day after school the team put hardwork, sweat, and blood, sometimes tears into the practice session. At several Friday night games, Steven Tyler was seen scoring another touchdown. Steven was voted the Most Valuable Player for the season. The Most Improved Player was Mike Farraher, who impressed coaches and teammates with his skillful plays. Other key players included quarterback Dave Throckmorton, Tom Dorman Miner, Keynan Almer, place-kicker Tyler Henry. Juskevich, Mustafa Cook, and was also one of the most valuable players Running back Carlton Winston scoring the winning touchdown in the Kempsville game.

Putting their strong passing and outstanding receivers to work, the team had a memorable 49-27 homecoming victory over Ocean Lakes. The depth that the team possessed in running back positions also proved to be an enormous advantage throughout the season. The team agreed that one of the most challenging and intense games was against the arch rival, Cox. Despite the pressure on players Matt Green, Nick Pogue, and Raymond Johnson, the team prevailed against Cox with a 21-14 overtime victory. After playing such a successful and memorable season, the team could look back on their hard work and realize it was all well worth while.



Eluding the defenseman, Carlton Winston, Jr. breaks through a hole created by Lamar King to push his team up the field. Runningbacks often depended on their linemen to force an opening that they could run through without being tackled.

FIRST ROW: Rob Farraher, Carlton Winston, Mike Farraher,Tyler Henry, Eric Miller, Antoine Pittman, Dominique Saunders, Jason Perkins, Jacob Tonkin, Mike Metric, Leslie Benjamin SECOND ROW: Sam Scarborough, Dave Throckmorton, Nick Pogue, Ronald Johns, Matt Green, Steve Tyler, Manzell Hines, Dorman Miner, Raymond Johnson, Rhyan Finch, Elijah Smith, Adam Winfield, Mustafa Cook, Rezwan Kabir, Fred Britton THIRD ROW: Frank Webster, Norbie Wilson, Patrick Henry, Phillip McCarty, Josh Culley, Chris Arthur, Ross Barkley, Brent Davis, Mario Colon, Sokahn Om, Joe Romano, Dione Olds, Antoine Cuffee, Jaton Hines, Don Phillips FOURTH ROW: Chuck Oldaker, Jeremy Perry, Mike Best, Jeff Duncan, Andy Mathis, Keynan Almer, Steve Gallagher, Tom Juskevich

Lining up for the play, Mario Colon takes a final look toward his teammates for instructions. Both visual and physical communication, were important elements for the execution of each play.

Keeping Score

10 Maury 7
35 Kempsville 14
21 Princess Anne 7
14 Tallwood 46
24 Salem 34
14 Green Run 20
21 Cox 14
42 Bayside 0
49 Ocean Lakes 27
35 Kellam 7

Springing from the line of scrimmage, the defensive line stops the other team from gaining yardage. Without a good defense, a team would be assured of a loss.

Practicing after school, senior Tyler Henry perfects his skills as a place kicker. Tyler's hours of practice paid off in many of the season's games.

Punt it! Junior Varsity Football

As the Junior Varsity Football team took to the practice field in August, Coach Don Phillips and assistant coaches Benjamin, Hines and student coach Steve Gallagher were ready for the challenges ahead. This young, inexperienced team grew in physical strength, agility, and maturity throughout the season.

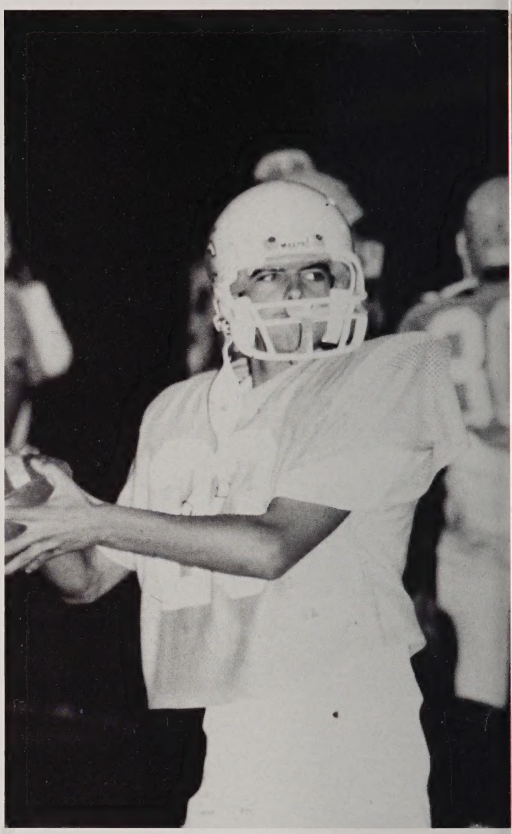
Varsity team linebacker Steve Gallagher sustained injuries in early September. From this tragedy, Coach Phillips saw the perfect opportunity for a student who could no longer play to one who could work with younger students. Thus, Steve became assistant linebacker and defense coach. Steve said, "I learned that coaching requires a lot of patience, and that I had to maintain self-discipline during school hours and not become "buddies" with the guys. This team showed noticable improvement about mid way through the season. They're going to be awsome next year."

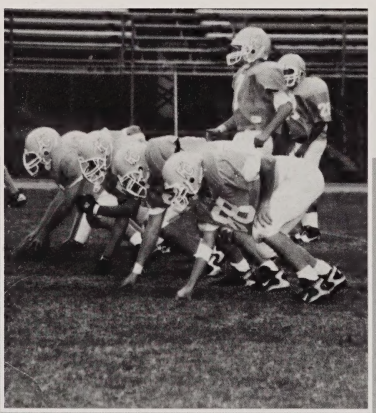
Eligibility and pre-game injuries affected the team, with losses at only 7 or 14 points. The j.v. boys worked on developing strategy, physical endurance, sprinting and lateral movement which brought them success in the end.

Keeping Score

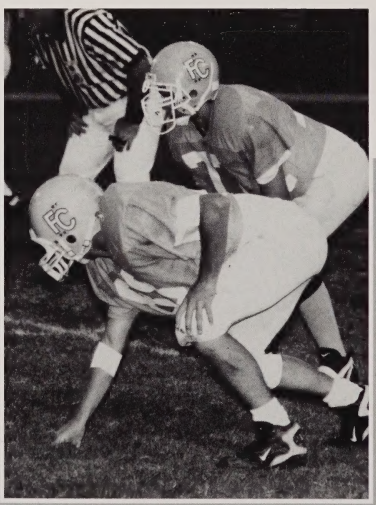
P.A.	L
Tallwood	L
Salem	L
Green Run	L
Cox	L
Bayside	W

Preparing to send a practice pass during the pre-game warm up, Shane Rosenboom looks up field. Pre-game warm ups equipped the football players for each game by loosening muscles and getting them mentally ready.





Checking the defensive line, quarterback, Chris Mitchell prepares to execute the next play. Leadership and cooperation within the team contributed to a successful season.



In set position, defensive end Brian Duncan, and linbacker Brandon Monroe, are ready for the upcoming play. Alertness and energy were requirements for an effective defense.

FIRST ROW: Asst. Coach Benjamin, T. Hudnall, T. Dickson, G. Tandy, A. Winfield, C. Mitchell, E. Wilson, D. Coleman, M. Graham, H. Langston, Asst. Coach Hines SECOND ROW: J. Owens, C. Harris, D. Yates, T. Berry, A. Pittman, J. Throckmorton, C. Hall, J. Sikes, J. Colon, E. Lonning, J. Krause, J. Hartley THIRD ROW: Asst. Coach Graham, S. Casey, R. Parker, B. Duncan, H. Hendricks, B. Monroe, S. Roseboom, M. Darby, M. Midgett, M. St. John, L. Rodriguez, D. Saunders, Head Coach Phillips

Sticking Together
Junior Varsity Field Hockey

Freshman Laura Machaj smiles as she makes an awesome shot downfield. Laura's hard work and determination helped her as an offensive player and contributed to the team scoring as a result of this play.

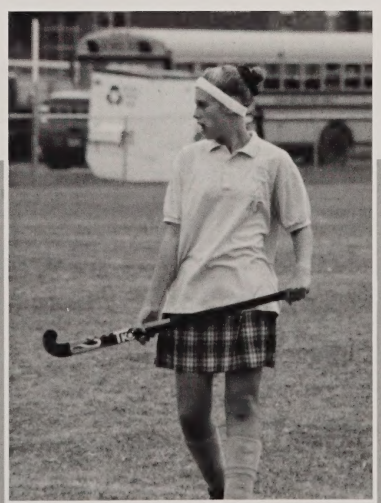
A great group of girls comprised the Junior Varsity Field Hockey team and together they produced another successful season. Under the leadership of first year Head Coach, Paige Kerry, the girls finished with a seasonal record of 2-4-3. To get motivated before each and every game as well as practice, the girls would chant, "FC Rocks." At the season's end, Monique Cooke was named Most Valuable Defensive Player, and Laura Machaj was named the Most Valuable Offensive Player. The best success story was that of goalie Haley Thrift, who had never played on a school sponsored field hockey team.

Other key starters were Lauren Gladstone, Grace Bonney, Kristen Eitel, Katie Fox, Morgan Snodgrass, Jeanna Bergfield, Leah Jones, Melanie Crisp, and Christine Machaj. Before every game it was considered to be symbolic of a good luck charm for Katie Fox to tie Coach Kerry's shoes in a certain way. The most memorable moment of the season was watching as all of the girls improved their skill levels. When asked to summarize the season, Coach Kerry said, "The team as a whole improved a great deal, and with all of the girls being friends, it made the season fun as well."

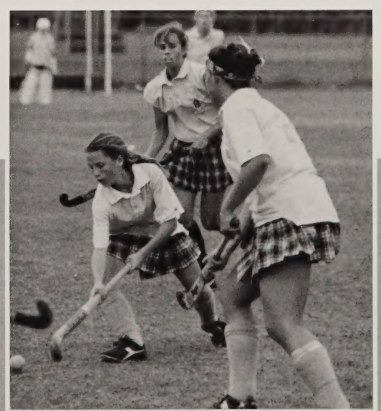
Keeping Score

Cox	L	2-0
Kempsville	L	5-0
Princess Anne	L	1-0
Ocean Lakes	T	1-1
Salem	T	1-1
Tallwood	T	1-1
Kellam	T	0-0
Bayside	W	2-1
Green Run	W	1-0

FIRST ROW: Leah Jones, Lisette Vitale, Lauren Gladstone, Laura Machaj, Sam Crow, Grace Bonney, Monique Cooke, Colleen Christal, Christine Machaj SECOND ROW: Kristen Eitel, Liz Baxter, Haley Thrift, Melanie Crisp, Anne Russell, Morgan Snodgrass, Katie Fox, Mary Giunta, Ms. Paige Kerry



Watching the field movement, Katie Fox follows the ball. Although not currently involved in the action, it was important to move with the ball.

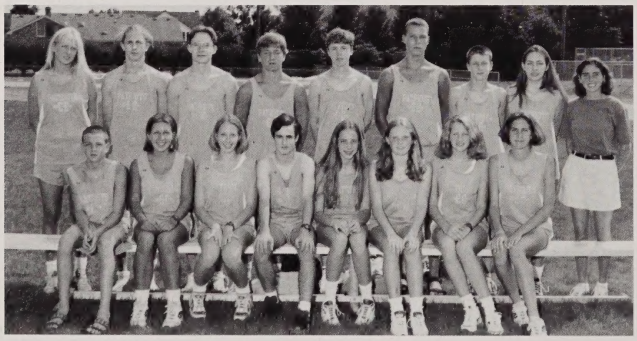


Lunging for the ball, Lauren Gladstone obtains possession enabling the team to advance up the field. Lauren mastered this invaluable offensive skill.

Keeping track of his time while rounding the cones, freshman, Colin Young races towards the finish line. Colin's first few races were run in the j.v. division, but, with so much improvement, he moved to the varsity division events by mid season.

Keeping Score

L Kempsville
W Ocean Lakes
W Bayside
W Cox
W Green Run
W Princess Anne
L Kellam
W Tallwood
W Salem



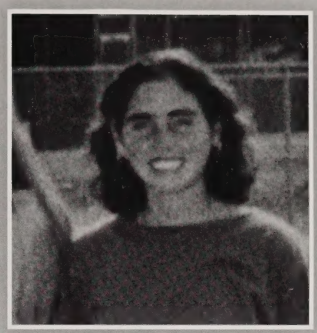
FRONT ROW: Bryan Lowry, Lindsay Ritter, Emily Goodman, Monica Lucente, Kate Gordon, Bonnie Manaskie, Megan Kaminiski SECOND ROW: Gayle Holloway, J.P. Hebert, Dan Baxley, Jason Richardson, Rob Wright, Matt Emborski, Colin Young, Ashley Lucente, and Coach Barbara Fallon.

Gaining momentum, J.P. Hebert passes his opponent. J.P. always ran equipped with his shades.

Striving to Finish

Cross Country

The Cross Country team finished another strong season under the direction of the new coach- Barbara Fallon. Behind the school, encompassing the football field, the track was pounded for five days each week beginning in mid August. The athletes adjusted to the rigorous schedule slowly developing the endurance needed for the long runs. But the track was not the only place of training. Often, the team was seen sprinting through the local neighborhoods, along First Colonial Road down to the Hilltop area, and up and down Great Neck Road.



There were many exceptional individual athletes that raised the team's performance to excellence. These included, on the top, the three year returning runner, Dan Baxley, who unfortunately was injured for the majority of the season. And a new runner transferred from Princess Anne, Megan Kaminiski, who completed a fantastic first season and was the first Cross Country runner from F.C. to place in the top fifteen at the state meet!

The Patriots competed not only throughout the season, but also in regional and district meets. The team represented First Colonial with outstanding performances made by all. Dan Baxley and David Estill, male team runners, participated in regionals. The entire girls team participated in regionals and came close to making the state meet. Overall, the cross country team finished an exciting season third in our district, and fifth place in our region!

Coach Fallon commented," The team made steady progress in developing skills and endurance throughout the season. I am looking forward to leading the runners through their paces next year.

As a new recruit, Megan Christenson concentrates on her race. Megan improved her time and endurance in the cross-country runs.

Long-distance runner, Bonnie Mananskie, completes the last leg of her race. Practicing everyday after school, gave runners the endurance and strength to prepare for competition.

Spiking Success
Girls' Volleyball

The Girls' Varsity Volleyball team completed another successful season with a 6-4 record. In preperation for their weekly matches, the team attended intense daily practices. Hard work, determination, and a winning spirit were some of the many qualities that distunguished this team from others. Even though Coach Edee Magula and Coach Ridill were new this year, they quickly adapted to the strengths and led the team to victory using their knowledge and expertise of volleyball. The new coaching techniques allowed the players to have fun while bringing their skills together. Through Coach Magula's leadership and guidance, the team enhanced their skills and focus.

With numerous strengths, the teams' greatest asset was their ability to work together especially since half the girls had played volleyball on a previous team for the past four years. The newer players had a large legacy to live up to, but they quickly learned how to work with each other enabling them to perfect their skills.

Alija Pittenger was recognized as the Most Valuable Player and Jenny Steele was named the Most Improved Player. The teams' key players and starters were; Alija Pittenger, Kaszia Campos, Michelle McGovern, Heather White, Jenny Steele, and Susan Sidone. Leading them to victory was their mastery of all the necessary skills.

The most memorable moment was their victory over Kempsville where the game started off with momentum and was maintained. But their most intense and challenging game was against Salem where they played hard and put up a tough fight only to be defeated in the end since the Salem girls proved to be much stronger hitters.

Before going out on the court, the girls increased their spirit by saying a cheer. Their two most popular ones being "Go FC!" and "Teamwork!" School spirit, teamwork and the ability to play volleyball well were qualities that this team never lacked.

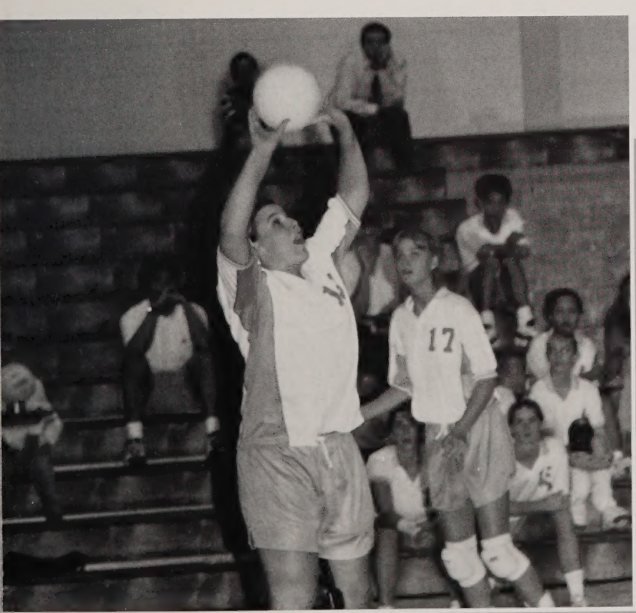
In unison, Tammy Jaeckle and Kaszia Campos jump to block the ball. Kaszia and Tammy were two of the team's best players producing an unstoppable front-line.

FIRST ROW: Kaszia Campos, Alija Pittenger SECOND ROW: Michelle McGovern, Jesse Oleck, Joji de los Reyes, Kelly Jones, Tammy Jaeckle THIRD ROW: Tamara Lyons, Jenny Steele, Kim Hopwood, Heather White, Susan Sidone, Mary Lenhart, Amanda Webb

With concentration, Jenny Steele and Tammy Jaeckle discuss the important strategy Jenny will use in the upcoming serve. This form of communication and planning helped lead the team to numerous victories.

Keeping Score

W Bayside
W Green Run
L Kempsville
W Princess Anne
L Cox
W Kellam
L Salem
W Ocean Lakes
W Tallwood
L Cox

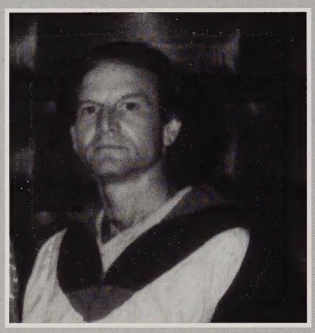


Taking careful aim, Kim Hopwood bumps the ball to the opposing side. Quick reflexes were required for the teams' many victories and were necessary to execute moves such as this one.

With intense concentration, Alija Pittenger prepares to return the ball. As one of the key players, Alija helped lead the team in scoring vital points, despite a troublesome knee.

Serve, Set, Spike
Boys' Volleyball

The Boys' Varsity Volleyball team turned in their jerseys after completeing the best season in the history of the team. The team spent many hardworking afternoons preparing to face their opponents and working to come home with yet another victory. The team went undefeated in the district ending the season with the first place title. After dominating throughout the regional playoffs, the team placed second in the Eastern Region.



The volleyball's team carried a strength in their blocking skills, setting, and bumping.. Their excellent ability in passing also contributed to their success.

Teamwork is an important aspect to any sports team, and the volleyball team was top notch. In order to ensure success, they developed a sense of unity that carried them through the season. Key players included, newcomer and MVP, Kevin Jones, Andy Jaeckle, Adam Burke, and Brian Kollar. These players along with the rest of the team worked their way to the district championship. The boys never failed to provide their fans with intense and exciting games. The team's hard work and effort in practice ensured that they would always come out on top during the games.

After a season full of dedication, the boys volleyball team had a successful and rewarding experience. With the help of a hardworking coach and dedicated players, the team was able to enjoy the title of district champions. Kevin Jones stated, "We really pulled together this year, and I"m happy with the way things turned out. Our hard work really paid off."

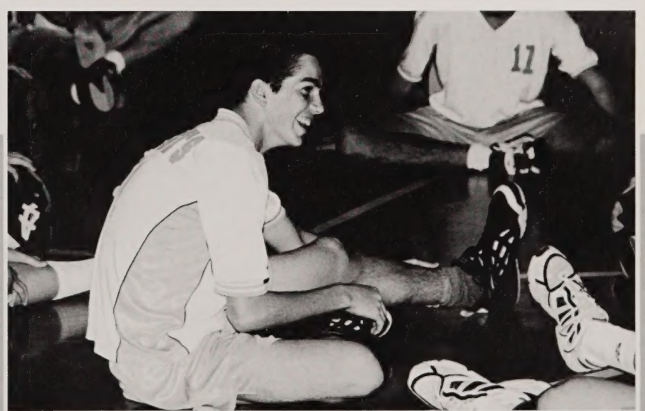
Team setter Cameron Land prepares to once again set the ball. Cameron's skill proved to be valuable to the team during games.

FIRST ROW: Joe Tabanan, Marlon Salavandor, Steve Bridingham, Justin Beckett, David Hills, Adam Burke SECOND ROW: Coach Lottenville, Richard Schneider, Mike Waterfield, Brian Kollar, Kevin Jones, Camron Land, Andy Jaeckle, Jeb Branch, Jason Jacobson

Displaying his skill, Andy Jaeckle spikes the ball and earns another point. Andy was a valuable asset to the team as one of the starting players and team co-captain.

Keeping Score

Kempsville W
Cox W
Tallwood W
Salem W
Kellam W
Princess Anne W
Ocean Lakes W
Green Run W
Bayside W



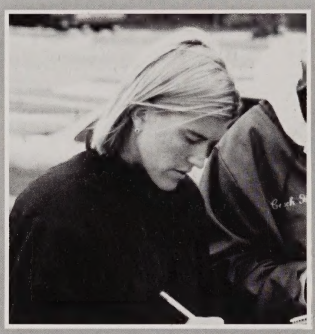
While stretching before an important game, Richard Schneider laughs with his teammates. Teamwork was and friendship were some of the team's most valuable assets.

Walking across the court, Steve Bridingham concentrates on his game. Steve's intensity during the games enhanced his volleyball skills.

Practice Makes Perfect

Girls' Tennis

Despite the fact that the Girl's Tennis team had one returning starter, the girls had a wonderful season. Led by coach Laurie Shiflet- Hackberth, they ended the season with a seven win three loss record. All the girls actively participated in the season's games with everyone starting in at least one game.

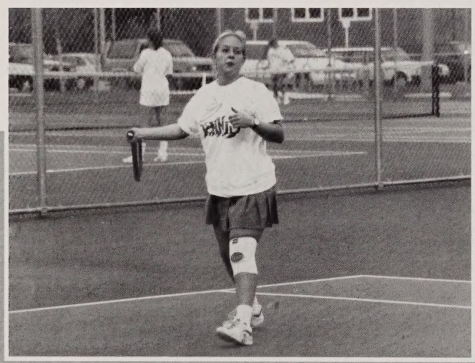


With exceptional honors, Most Outstanding Player Mily Kannarkat finished with singles district, regional, and state titles. Also recieving a state title, Becky Schmidt won the state doubles with Mily. Becky and Mily finished in the top eighth of the state competition.

Other than Becky and Mily, Liz Durham, Heather McKee, Suzie Birdsong, Katie Miller (winner of the Most Team Spirited Award) , and Chrsitie Marzhan were key members of the team. They were extremely valuable in the team's most difficult matches against Tallwood and Cox.

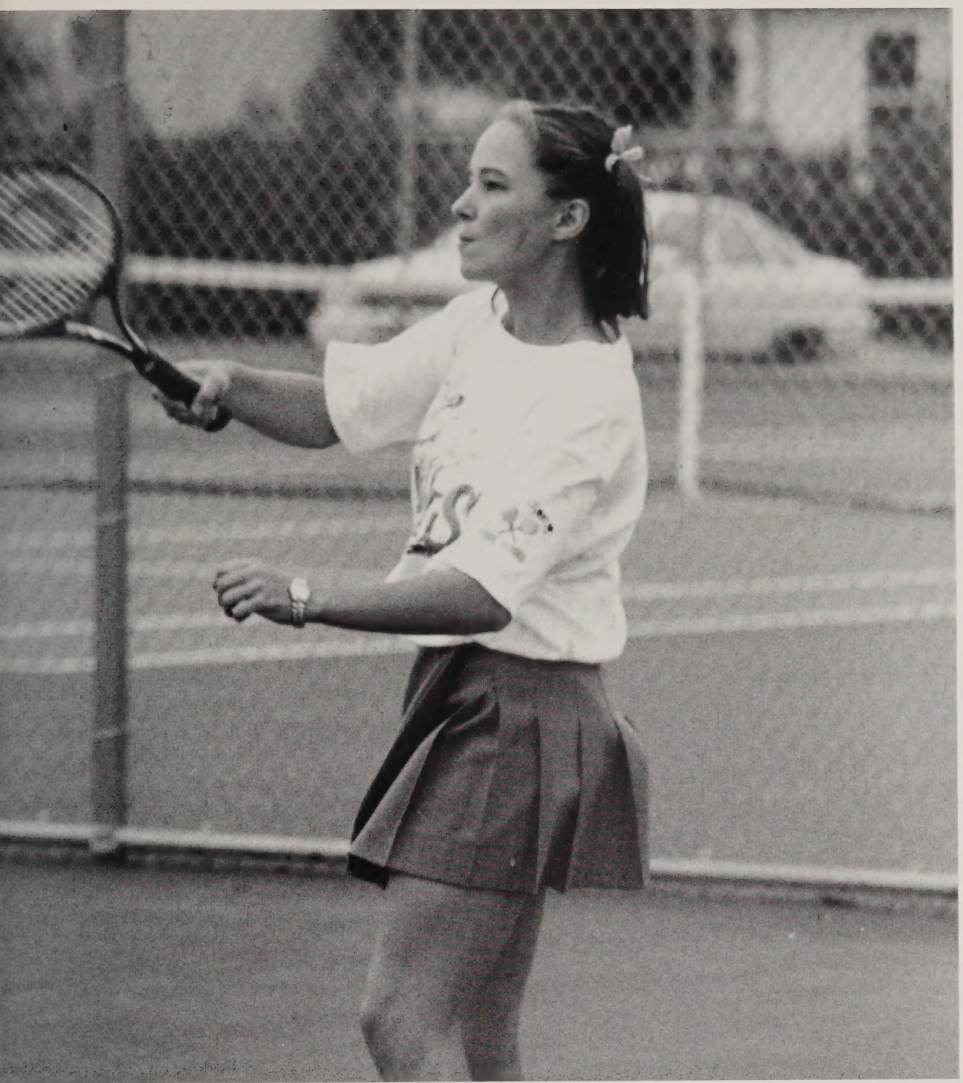
To help ensure their winning streak, the girls painted their faces with the traditional gold and blue and drew names for secret pal goody bags. Supposedly, these good luck ensurances helped the girls in their nine to zero wins over Bayside, Green Run, Salem, and Princess Anne.

Without the hard work and devotion of every single team member, this sucessful season would not have been possible. Each girl showed unending devotion, beginning with grueling summer practices all the way through supporting their teamates in the state finals. Suzie Birdson commented, "All those tennis lessons and summer workouts paid off. The friendships and the spirit the entire team had made all those practices worthwhile."



Focusing her attention on the ball, Erin Meredith prepares to slam it across the court. Even with an injured knee Erin was still able to deliver powerful swings.

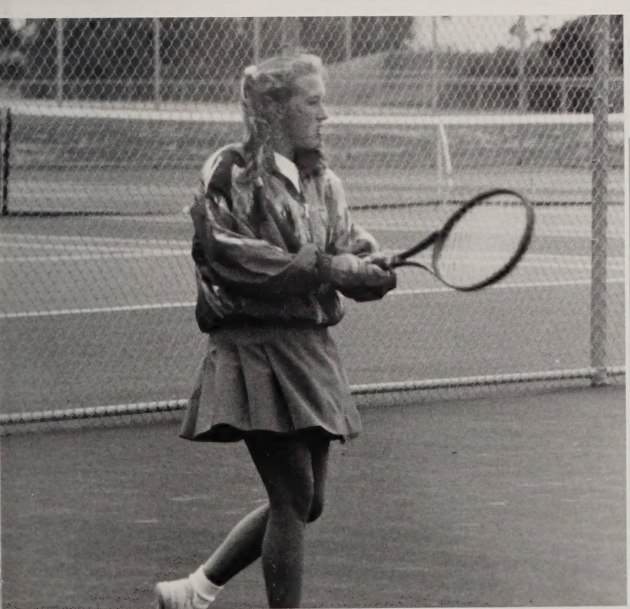
FRONT ROW: Amber Miller, Heather McKee, Beckt Schmidt, Christie Marzhan, Adrienne Crisp, Laurie Philips., Katie Miller, Liz Durham SECOND ROW: Laurie Shiflet, Mily Kanarkat, Erin Meredith, Audrey Harris, Suzie Birdsong, Dana Slepsky



Intense concentration pays off as Heather McKee is assured of the accuracy of her shot. Heather's positive attitude and commitment to the team contributed to a successful season.

Keeping Score

9	Bayside	0
9	Green Run	0
9	Salem	0
7	Kellam	2
9	Princess Anne	0
8	Ocean Lakes	1
7	Kempsville	2
1	Cox	7
3	Tallwood	6
4	Maury	5



Making sure that her racket connects with the ball, Amber Miller keeps a close eye on the ball. For a freshman player, Amber was very focused on all her games this season.

Following through, Audrey Harris completes another awesome hit. Audrey experienced a very good first year on the team.

Throwing his arms up in victory, Martin Tsai celebrates the defeat of another opponent. Martin's advanced skills and well thought out strategies enabled him to defeat his opponents using physical prowess along with psychology.

Keeping Score

8 Green Run 1

4 Salem 5

7 Princess Anne 2

1 Cox 8

3 Kellam 6

3 Kempsville 6

9 Ocean Lakes 0

6 Bayside 3

1 Tallwood 8

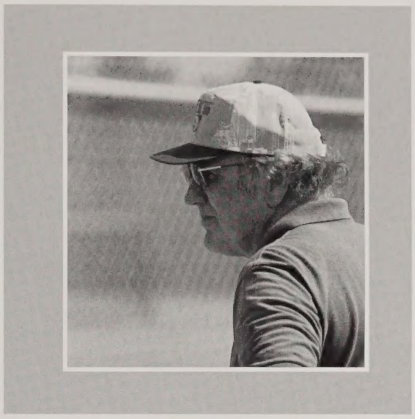
Ready at all times, Zach Bradley focuses in on the ball. Zach's finesse helped him become an important member of this team.

With excellent style and grace on his forehand, Ryan Hines returns the ball. Ryan's was the team's top seed.

Serving a Winner

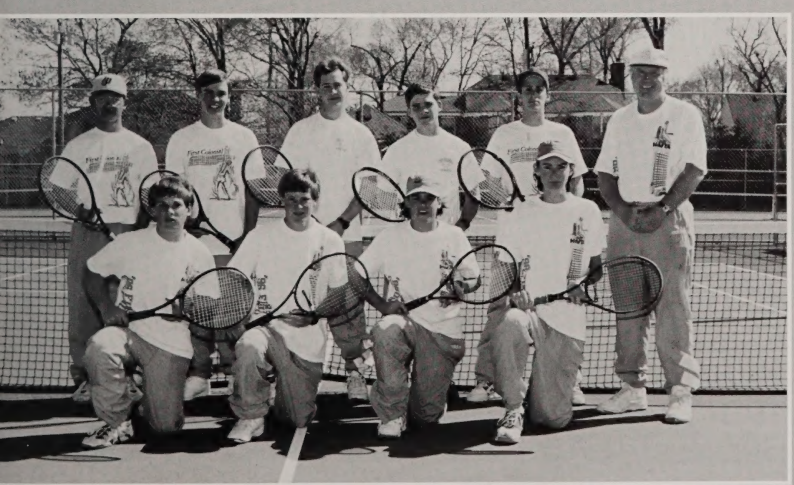
Boys' Tennis

In a season that was full of canceled games due to rain, the First Colonial Boys' Varsity Tennis team endured another splendid season and finished with a record of 4-5. Led by the guiding coach, Mr. James Mather, the team was able to play competitive matches against some of the top teams in the district. The key starters for the team were Pete Litton, Ryan Hines, Mike Schiller, Jarrett Fischer and Jeff Fleischman. At the end of the season, senior Mike Schiller was named the team's Most Valuable Player, while sophomore Jeff Fleischman was given the award of Most Improved Player.

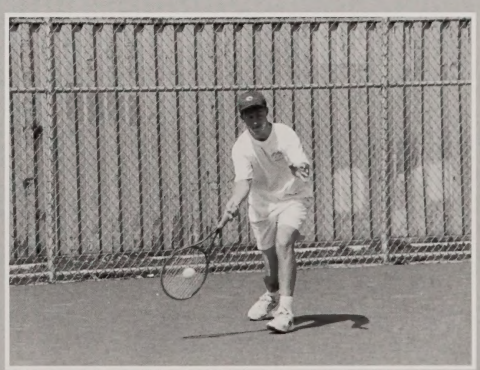


With the chocolate chip cookies, and Zach Bradley's veggie sandwiches as the team's good luck charms, the team went into every practice and match with the determination to give their best and win. Their most intense match occurred when the team traveled to play Salem. The score was tied with only one doubles match remaining, which involved two freshman versus two experience members of Salem's team. Although they were not victorious, the whole team gathered around to watch the future superstars battle until the final point.

When asked his opinions on the season, Mr. Mather comented, "Could of been, would of been, should of been." Although the team did not end up with a winning record, the future still is shining bright for this young Patriot team. Next year, the team will have all starters and substitutes back except for two. With that kind of returning lineup, the team will be a force to reckon with next season, but for now the season was summed in three words by Bradley, "It was fun!"



IRST ROW: Brandon Hines, Mike Schiller, Ryan Hines, Hank Godwin SECOND ROW: Martin Tsai, Dustin Rich, Pete Litton, Zach Bradley, Jarrett Fischer, Coach ames Mather



Reaching down for the ball, captain Pete Litton executes another play that shows his hustle and willingness to win. These aspects contributed to his success through all four years of high school.

Successful Strides
Indoor Track

The Indoor Track team made successful strides at every meet. All through the season their losses to other teams were close and they remained an admirable contender. Through teamwork as well as individual efforts, the team accomplished the goals Coach Kaminski set for them. There was a variety of events from which each of the team members choose to compete. Running events included long distance jogs, short distance sprints, and hurdles. Field events included the discus throw, shot put, high jump, long jump, pole vault, and the triple jump.

While four members advanced to All-District, three participated in All-Region. All-district members included Dan Baxley, Brian Kollar, Megan Kaminski, and Ashley Lucente. Dan Baxley ran in the 500m, Brian Kollar in shot put, and Megan Kaminski in the 1600 and 3200 all placed in all-region.

The team struggled through many long hours and strenuous practices to prepare for the next meet. All the preparation and sacrifice paid off when Brian Kollar won in the regional shot put and Megan Kaminski won the Fork Union Invitational surpassing the school record time and came out on top. Coach Kaminski commented, "All of the team members put in a lot of hard work and therefore experienced success in their individual areas." The Most Valuable Players were Brian Kollar and Megan Kaminski supported by key players and starters: Brian Kollar, Dan Baxley, Megan Kaminski, Ashley Lucente, Dalia Gonzalez, Liz Drew, and Jenni Stillwell. At the conclusion of the season the Most Improved Player was Ashley Lucente.

The team had many characteristics that brought them success. One of the their biggest strengths was that even though the team was a small group, they were very talented athletes. Even though illness and injuries slowed down the progress of the team, they were still able to pull together and finish another season with satisfaction and pride for a job well done.

Making his way toward the finish line, Adam Powell steadies his pace. Intense practice was needed for successful races.

FIRST ROW: Angelica Stephens, Liz Drew, Dalia Gonzalez, Sarah Lapierre SECOND ROW: Benjamin Dearson, Emily Goodman, Kauaha Palmer, Kate Gordon, Lindsey Ritter, Maggie McConnell THIRD ROW: Jenni Stillwell, Julia Moshkariou, Ashley Lucente, Ben Matchett, Adam Powell, Megan Kaminski, Rob Farraher FOURTH ROW: Brian Kollar, Rich Klobuchy, Dan Baxley, Kevin McCabe, Jason Richardson, Ben Woods, JP Hebert, Matt Emborsky FIFTH ROW: Dr. Kollar, Dan Doherty, Coach Ben Kaminski

Hurdler, Julia Moshkariov, leaps over the hurdle on her way to the finish line. One of the many running events was hurdling which required precise timing, speed, and a good pair of strong legs.

KEEPING SCORE

Girl's	
Bayside	L
Ocean Lakes	L
Green Run	W
Salem	L
Cox	L
Boy's	
Bayside	W
Ocean Lakes	L
Green Run	L
Salem	L
Cox	L

Sprinting to the finish line, Dan Baxley shizs around the track. Dan qualified for the state finals.

Leaping as far as she can, Liz Drew hopes her jump will win the event. Liz practices paid off later as she excelled in the long jump.

Making Waves

Swimming

The Swim team, in its third year of existence as a varsity sport, had an extremely scintillating season. Led by their coach, Mrs. Kim Mc Canna, both the boys and the girls teams proved to be quite successful.

The girls' team was led by Kristen Eitel, Katherine Benson, Liz Durham, and Leslie Kearley. Aided in competition by their excellent strokes, determination, and strong relays, the girls entered every meet with a positive attitude. Among those on the team receiving awards were Corbin Thomas, Most Improved Player, and Liz Durham, the Most Valuable Player. Before each meet, the girls gained inspiration from their favorite cheer ""Act like a cow, act like a tree." and carbo-energy from their pasta parties.

Most Valuable Player Danny Mazur, Most Improved Player Colin Young, and the intense amount of freshmen power set the pace for the boys' swim team. To deal with the anticipation and anxiety that each event brought on, the guys chewed on their goggle straps and bit off all four corners of their time cards for good luck. The most memorable moment of the season for all of the boys was the trauma of trying on and actually having to wear their mandatory "speedos." Zach Bradley, Jon Floyd, Robbie O'Donnell, and Danny Mazur were the key members of the team.

All the swimmers worked diligently to improve their strokes and perfect their times by shoving off seconds at each successive meet.. Enjoying a wonderful season they looked forward to next year's competitions.

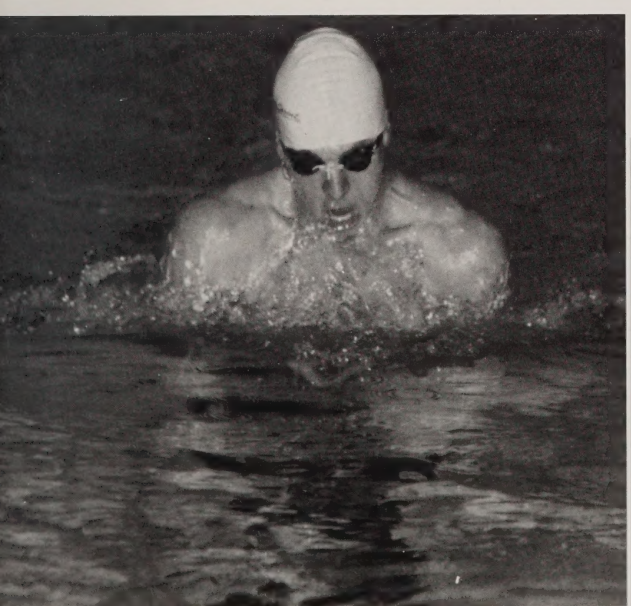
Celebrating after a winning swim, Zach Bradley throws his arm up in victory. Swimmers all agreed that there was no better feeling than a hard-fought win.

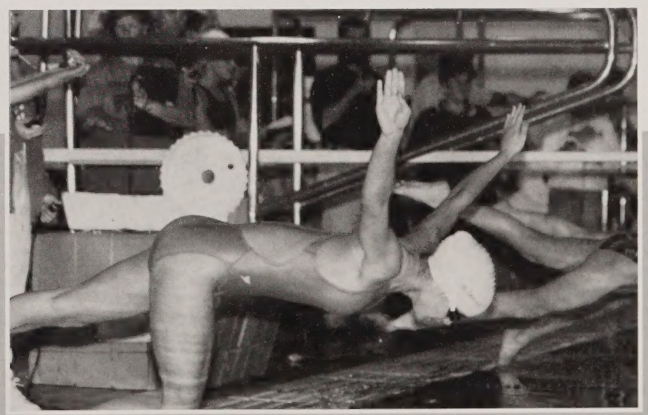
FIRST ROW: Colleen Christal, Corbin Thomas, Danny Mazur, Katie Fox, Beth Wille, Jon Floyd, Coach Kim McCanna SECOND ROW: Kristen Eitel, Chris Frankenfield, Corey Harris, Liz Durham, Adrienne Crisp, Katie Butler, Suzie Birdsong, THIRD ROW: Taren Gregory, Chrissy Papas, Gerard Golden, Farrell Shoup, Blair Eason, Katherine Benson, Leslie Kearley FOURTH ROW: Brian Wells, Tyler Sterling, Graham Strickler, Jared Anderson, Mike Zitron, Stehpan Labocetta, Zach Bradley

Advancing to first place in the 'fly' stroke, Leslie Kearley races down the lane in the final lap. Leslie's strong strokes enabled her to continuously edge slightly ahead of the competition.

Keeping Score

Girls	Boys
W Bayside	W Green Run
W Ocean	W Bayside
Lakes	W Kellam
W Green Run	W Tallwood
W P.A.	W Ocean
W Kellam	Lakes
L Cox	W P.A.
L Salem	L Cox
L Kempsville	L Salem
L Tallwood	L Kempsville

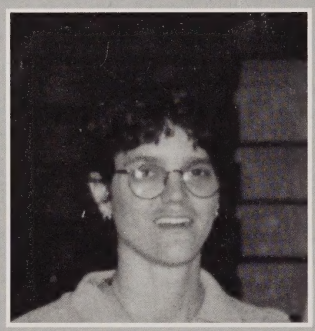




At the sound of the gun, Graham Strickler dives into the pool with full force. Graham's excellent starts were an invaluable asset to the team.

Pausing for a quick breath, Robbie O'Donnell pulls himself through the water to complete the men's breaststroke event. Robbie, a senior, was one of the team's starters, despite being s newcomer this year.

Laying It Up
Varsity Girls' Basketball



The Girls' Varsity Basketball team produced outstanding results as they managed to finish the season with an 11-7 regular season record, and a 12-8 overall record. With the return of third year coach Sandra Bartle, the team knew each other's strengths well. They began the year with almost all of their players returning; only one senior graduated the year before. With a team that had worked so well together in the past, success was inevitable.

Having made it all the way to the semifinals of the Beach District Playoffs, they managed to defeat Tallwood High School in the Quarterfinals, who had previously beaten them twice before. The team was led by their captains Jodi Bierman and Alija Pittenger. Alija Pittenger was named the team's Most Valuable Defensive player while Jodi Bierman was named the team's Most Valuable Offensive player. Avery Willis was voted the teams' Most Valuable All-Around player, and Melissa Zitron was awarded the prestigeous Coach's Award. The key players throughout the season were Alija Pittenger, Jodi Bierman, Avery Willis, Melissa Zitron, Hope Breckenridge, and Christie Nichols.

One of the more memorable nights of the season was Senior Night in which the team defeated one of the beach district's top teams, Salem High School. Melissa Zitron commented, "We weren't expected to even come close to beating Salem, but we surprised everyone! For me it was the greatest season ever." At the end of the evening the team celebrated by dumping the water jug all over Coach Sandra Bartle's head. The team's motto, "TEAM", led them through their strong season this year.

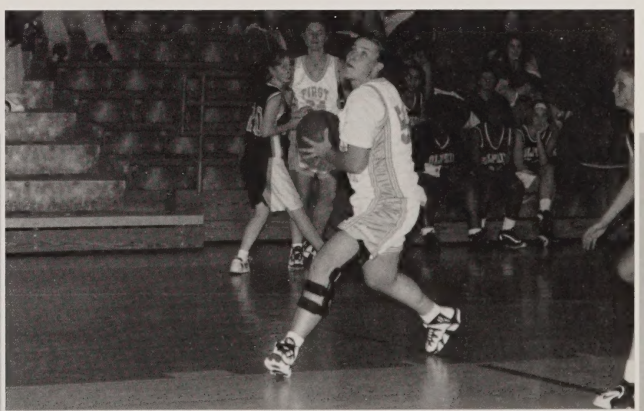
Looking for a shot Christie Nichols tries to drive past her opponent. Christie's diverse skill made her both a valuable guard and forward.

FIRST ROW: Kaszia Campos, Alija Pittenger, Jodi Bierman SECOND ROW: Michelle McGovern, Avery Willis, Hope Breckenridge, Kate Byrne THIRD ROW: Coach Sandra Bartle, Melissa MacDonald, Melissa Zitron, Gayle Holloway, Christie Nichols, Carrie Fox

Outrunning her opponent, Avery Willis goes in for a lay up and makes the shot adding to the score. Senior Jodi Bierman, a guard, follows up for a possible rebound.

Keeping Score

48	Ocean Lakes	36
41	Cox	34
36	Kellam	35
54	Tallwood	57
37	Kempsville	60
44	Green Run	34
60	Bayside	35
39	Salem	46
31	Princess Anne	50
44	Tallwood	63
39	Kempsville	59
49	Green Run	30
59	Bayside	47
59	Salem	47
49	Princess Anne	58



Going in for a layup, Alija Pittenger outruns all her opponents. Alija's strength and jumping ability made her a valuable team player.

Playing strong defense, Melissa Zitron and Melissa MacDonald block their competitor's shot. One of this winning team's strengths was a strong defense.

Sure Shot
Boys Varsity Basketball

The roar of the crowd echoing throughout the gym, the clock counting down the seconds in the fourth quarter, the cheerleaders jumping and screaming were the sights and sounds during the Boys' Varsity Basketball team season. Even though every game was not a victory, the team's improvement was quite notable. The players demonstrated developed skills, maturity, and good sportsmanship on the court.

To acheive such a successful season the team began practicing and working together, running drills, shooting, and perfecting plays. The guidance and aid of Coach Glen Veasy, proved very helpful as he stood by the team especially during some very tense moments. Coach Veasy commented, " The boys grew this season in their abilities and will be strong contenders next year".

Throughout the season, one extremely exciting moment was the fourth quarter of the home game against Kellam, when the Patriots lost and regained their lead within seconds. In outstsnding playing by Lamar King, Josh Withers, Ricky Butts, and Doug Taylor, the team held on to their victory. Other excellent players included Mario Colon, Chris Foster, Nick Naylor, Adam Winfield, and "Nacho" De la Maza. United againist all odds, the team performed very well. Year round conditioning and practice helped the players grip their opponents with skills and planned strategies. All players took great steps from a young group towards a mature and aggressive team producing a very memorable season.

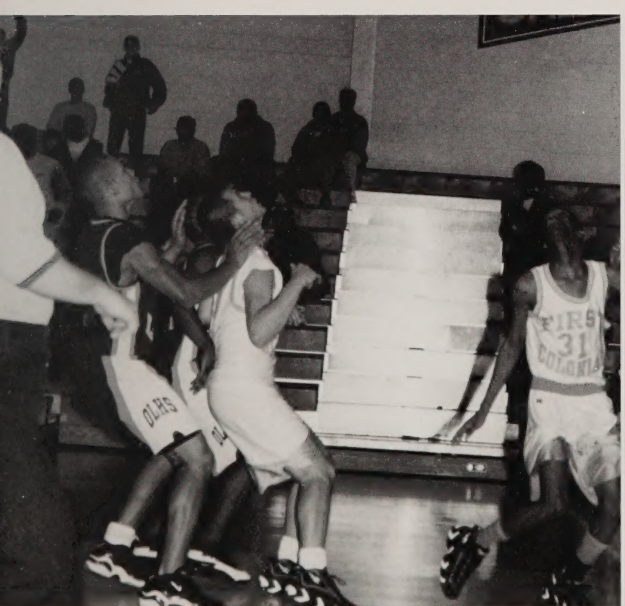
Preparing to pass the ball inside, Lamar King looks for his teamates. Lamar played a fantastic home game against Kellam helping the Patriots end triumphantly.

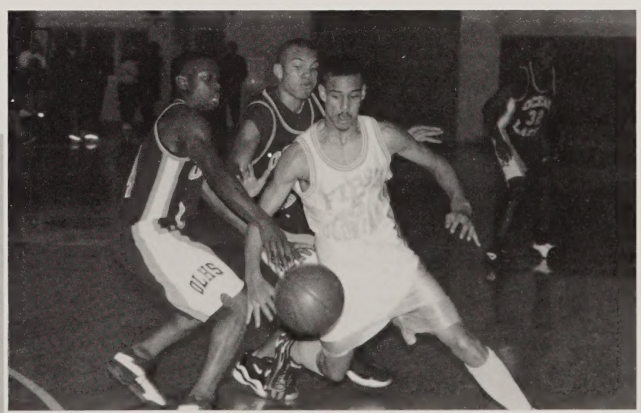
FIRST ROW: Mario Cologne, Eric Miles, Chris Foster, L.J Johnson, Doug, Taylor, Josh Withers, Jamille Bright SECOND ROW: Coach Visey, Cam Land, Bob Naylor, Lamar King, Adam Winfield, Ricky Butts, Emanuel Baker, Mike Rouse, Nacho DelaMaza, Coach Benjamin

Receiving the rebound after jumping into the air, Lamar King takes the ball and gets ready to pass to the outside. Playing underneath the basket was essential to regaining control of the ball and getting the opportunity to score.

Keeping Score

W Hickory
L Ocean Lakes
L Cox
W Kellam
L Tallwood
W Kempsville
L Green Run
L Bayside
L Salem
W Hickory





Battling againist two Ocean Lakes players, Ricky Butts fights for the ball. Offensive and defensive players worked together to produce high scoring games.

Waiting for the ball to fall, Josh Withers prepares to get the rebound. Josh was well known for his excellent ability to shoot three-point shots.

Court Challenge

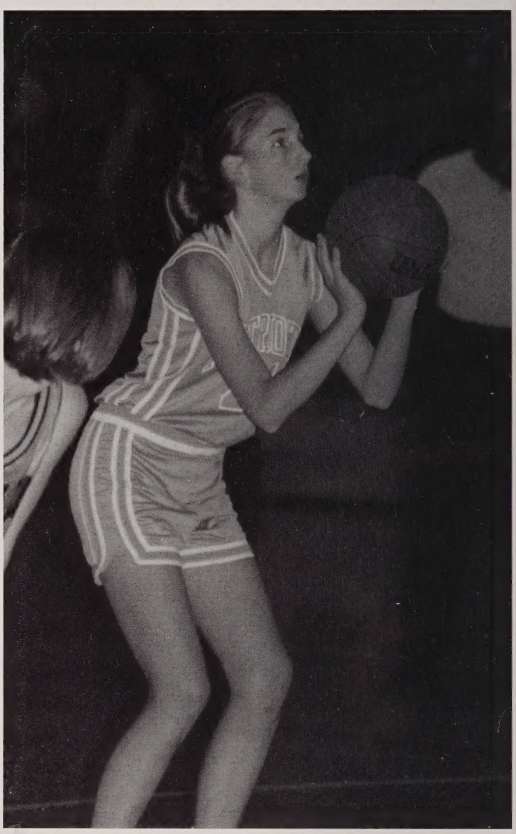
Junior Varsity Girls Basketball

The Junior Varsity Girls Basketball team did not fail to have another exciting season . With skill and determination, the girls managed to sink baskets and complete strategic plays. The team practiced everyday after school with various drills and exercises to keep in shape. Coach Leigh Newman worked with the girls to extablish court positions and plan plays which assisted them in their victories. Teamwork proved to be one of the team's many strong points. Along with skill on the court in passing, shooting, and dribbling, the girls learned about leadership skills, keeping a positive outlook and good sportsmanship. As the season progressed, the team became more dedicted and able to focus on the game. Melanie Crisp commented, "I really learned a lot on and off the court this season. I feel much more prepared for varsity." Key palyers included Becky Spangler, Cory Cooper Tamara Lyons, and Melanie Crisp. Under pressure the girls performed like pros during the entire season.

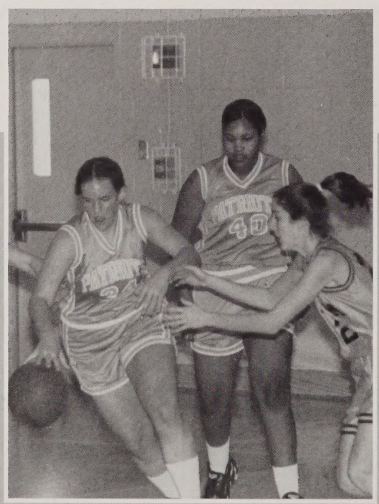
Keeping Score

Green Run	W	Cox	L
Ocean Lakes	W	P.A.	L
Kempsville	L	Kellam	W
Tallwood	L	Salem	W
Bayside	L		

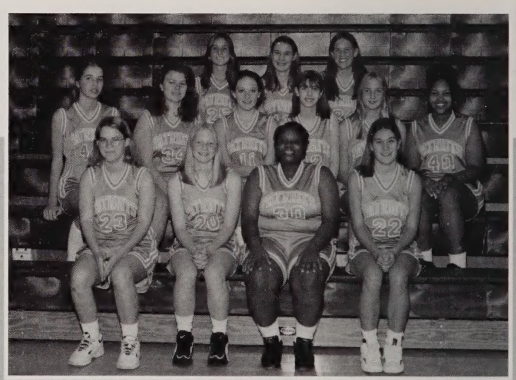
Looking at the basket, Melanie Crisp prepares for a foul shot. Melanie's concentration paid off by scoring against Cox.



Fighting off her opponents, Tamara Lyons struggles to get back the ball. Tamara played a strong and tough defense.



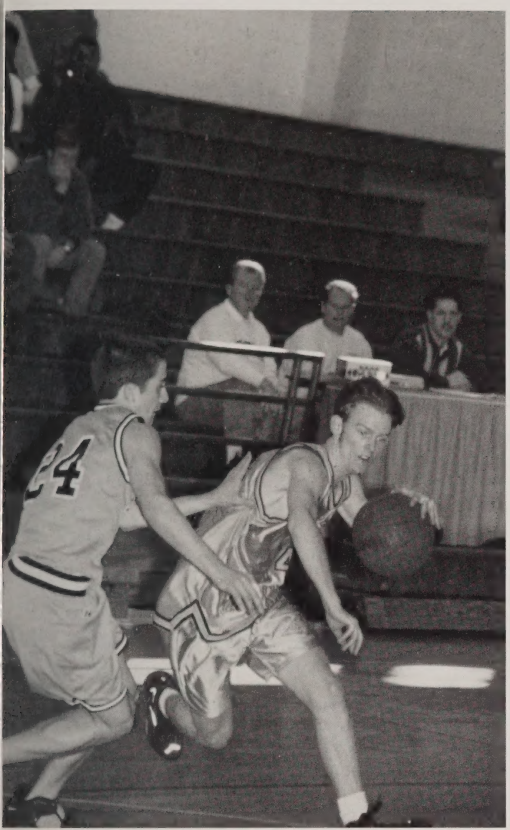
Dribbling down the court, Anne Russell moves through her opponants. Anne demonstrated her agility in manuvering past the opposition.



FIRST ROW: D. Tisdale, C. Cooper, P. Daniels, L. Smith SECOND ROW: T. Pierce, T. Lyons, H. Thrift, E. Siddens, M. Crisp, G. THIRD ROW: B. Spangler, K. Squibb, A. Russell

Shooting Success
Junior Varsity Boys' Basketball

With a quick cut around, Kevin Knowles heads toward the basket. Kevin worked throughout the season on improving his agility.



With the leadership and guidance of Coach Leslie Benjamin, The Junior Varsity Boys' Basketball team had an impressive 5-3 record. The boys reached many goals and improved greatly on a consistant basis throughout the season. Playing to their highest potential at every game, they showed their love and dedication for the sport. The boys' hard work at daily practices and teamwork during the games was evident as they played every game with concentration and with a desire to do just a little better than before. Coach Benjamin stressed the importance of good sportsmanship and cooperation with the other teammates and also with the other team players. When asked to describe what was the most important goal for the boys, coach replied, "My desire is for every young man to leave the season a stronger and better person athletically and academically." Jason Duncan commented, " This season was great. We all improved and the practices paid off." The team also enjoyed the support of the fans who came out to watch and boost the morale of the team.

Keeping Score

Kempsville	L	Tallwood	W
P.A.	W	Kellam	W
Cox	W	Bayside	L
Kellam	L	Green Run	W
Oceans Lakes	W		

FIRST ROW: J. Spence,Kevin Knowles, Chris Jobstropski, Bryan Wells, Ryan Withers, Jared Smith, Jeff Linblad SECOND ROW: Danny Morse, H. Sears, M. Hoes, J. Duncan, J. Owens, D. Green, Coach Benjamin

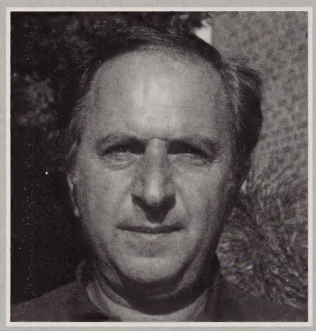
Contemplating his next move, Chris Jobstopski evaluates the court. Chris scoped out the court set-up before making a definite move.

Looking up at the basket, Jason Duncan checks the status of the shot he just made. Jason sunk the hook shot and advanced the team on the scorboard.

Ace In The Hole

Golf

With all six of the starters from last year's team graduating, Coach Anthony had to look to a new crop of young golfers that would help to put the Patriots back in good standing throughout the district.



Led by Max Sussman, the team's Most Valuable Player, and the team's two Most Improved Players, Chris Horan and Ryan Miller, the boys were able to reach the most memorable moment of the season. This occured when four of the team's golfers qualified for the Eastern Region Playoffs at the end of the season. Along with Sussman, Horan and Miller, other key players included Nathan Porter, Keith Hensley, Rip Gordon, Pete Wilkinson, and Andrew Ruggles, all of whom will return to the greens for practice and competition next season.

Along the way, the team endured numerous tough matches and individual competitions, but none was more intense and challenging than their match against beach district rival Cox. The team played as best as they could, but unfortunately, they came up short and were defeated by a few strokes.

The golf team members had the satisfying experience of leading the first round of the Beach District Tournament. Next year, of course, the team's goal is to be the winner in this competition.

In the perspective view of Coach Anthony, "I thought we had a great season, considering I lost all my starters from last year, but the freshmen came through in flying colors. I look forward to next season being most eventful with the entire team returning."

Sophomore Pete Wilkerson eyes the ball as he prepares for his shot. Wilkerson was one of the younger members on the team this year who proved that age is but a number when it comes to success as a golfer.

FIRST ROW: Nathan Porter, Pete Wilkinson, Max Sussman, Keith Hensley
SECOND ROW: Max Hoes, Pat Herring, Chris Horan, Andrew Ruggles, Dan Buttsavage, Rip Gordon

Taking a practice swing, Rip Gordon prepares for a deciding shot during a match. Rip was a new addition to this year's team and will be a valuable asset next year.

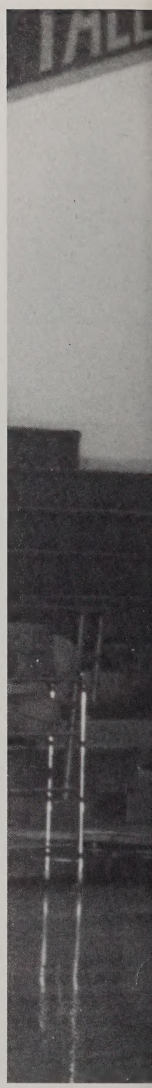
Keeping Score

W Ocean Lakes
L Cox
L Kellam
L Kempsville
W Bayside
L Tallwood
L Salem
W Green Run
L Princess Anne

Starter Nathan Porter follows through on his shot at the Bow Creek Golf course. During the season, Nathan advanced his skills and techniques.

In the process of chipping the ball, Keith Hensley hopes that his attempt will be successful. Keith was named a key player this season due to his skill at strokes such as this one.

Patriot Pride
Varsity Cheerleading



Keeping school spirit alive was the job of the Varsity Cheerleading Squad, and they did it very well at every sporting event. Through the fall, winter, and spring sports, the cheerleaders divided into smaller squads allowing them time to concentrate on studies as well as cheer and encourage the athletes.

The varsity squad attended a summer cheerleading camp which taught the girls various routines. They also studied how to yell correctly without hurting their voices and learned developmental exercises to build strength and endurance for the more difficult cheers. After this week-long event, each cheerleader found themselves to be physically stronger and much more agile than before.

Better synchronized cheers and routines were the results of all the hours of weekly practice and game time. Friendships developed through the time spent together and with friendships came great memories. Some of the memories were when Elizabeth Coker led the cheerleaders in a rain dance at the football game against Kellam. Another was when Jennifer Lovett cheered solo at a Tallwood basketball game.

Interacting with squads from the other high schools, the varsity squad performed a welcome cheer all sporting events for the fans of the opposing teams. The visiting squad then presented a hello cheer to the home fans. By demonstrating good sportsmanship in this manner, both squads taught these values to the fans and built bridges of understanding between the schools.

Captains Elizabeth Coker and Stacy Smith provided the leadership through the summer practices as well as the school year. Cheerleaders were required to maintain a certain grade point average throughout the year or they would face suspension until improvement was demonstrated. Many were very active in various clubs, sports, community activities, and theatrical productions. Some even found time to hold down a part time job. Properly describing their busy schedules, Denise Dreuitt stated, "So much to do, so little time."

Making a fist with her hand, Kelly Bourgeios cheers for the Boys Varsity Football team. Kelly, a freshman, was allowed to cheer for varsity during the fall term.

FIRST ROW: Elizabeth Coker, Stacy Smith. SECOND ROW: Missy Pope, Meghan Powell, Jennifer Lovette, Natalia Wilson, Ellen Kutchak, Julie Larned. THIRD ROW: Melanie McDowell, Samantha Sunderlin, Sarah Young, Alex Creighton, Bethany Vaughn, Densie Dreuitt

Supported by her strong fellow cheerleaders, Missy Pope forms the top of this pyramid. This particular stunt was one which required an abundance of concentration and strength from every member of the squad.

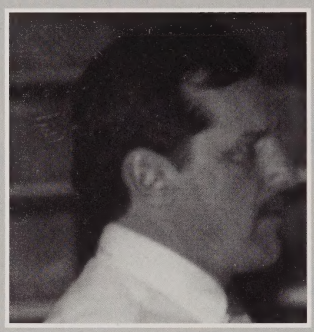
Encouraging the students to yell louder for the football team is Natalia Wilson. Natalia demonstrated leadership qualities in the classroom as well as at games.

Yelling loudly, Alex Creighton performs the cheer "Red Hot" for the fans. Alex's voice could be heard at all athletic events.

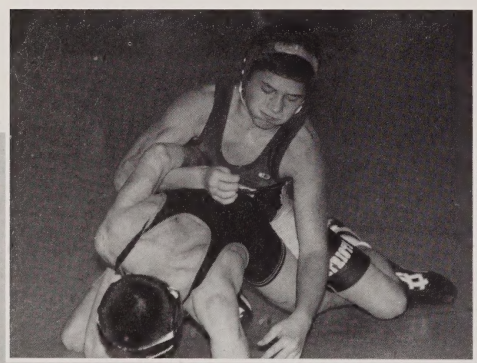
Penetrate to Win

Varsity Wrestling

The Varsity Wrestling team "had a roller coaster year," according to head coach Joe Bothel. With a district record of 5-4 and an overall record of 8-8, the wrestling Patriots set a respectable name for themselves by earning the title of Newport News Invitational Champions. The team was fairly balanced in terms of experience with six seniors and eight underclassmen. Coach Bothel depended on his key starters, Jason Bernd, Jeff Bernd, and Jamie Harris to score at least three team points each. In this challenging sport, the boys endured daily practices consisting of drilling, weight-lifting, and live wrestling. Senior Dave Throckmorton, 215 pound-weight-class, commented, "Wrestling is a rigorous battle between you and your opponent. To be victorious you must be both physically and mentally strong."

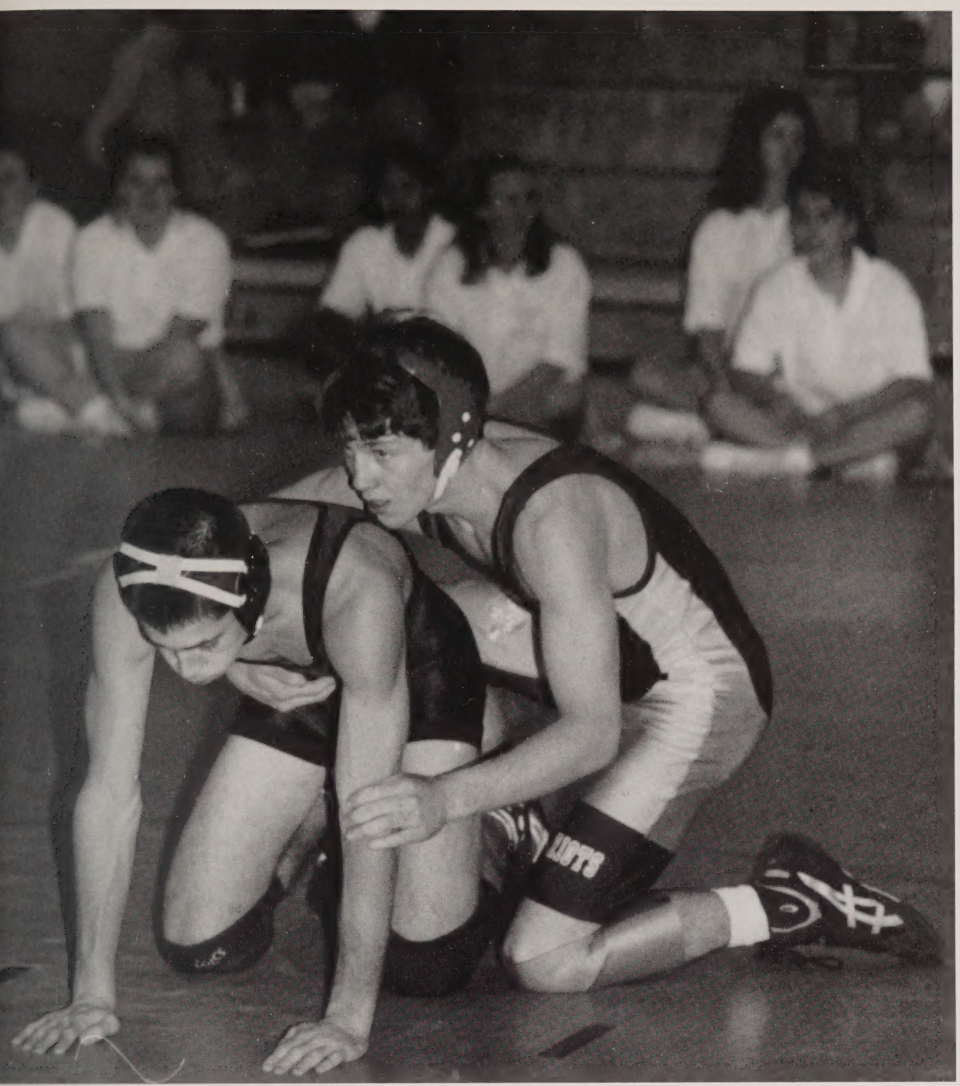


With weight classes ranging from 103 to 275 lbs, the wrestlers' sizes covered a broad spectrum. However, several characteristics ran consistently throughout the team members: quick thinking, agility, and strength. Numerous wrestlers displayed the mastering of these skills by claiming either a district, regional or state title. Joe Romano placed third in district at 171 pounds. Kyle Magyar, former district champ, wrestled at 119 and placed fourth. Senior Tom Juskevich claimed first in the district for the second year at 189 pounds and first in the region. Jeff Bernd, 135, placed second in the district, third in the region, and second in states. Jamie Harris, 130 pounds, claimed second in district. Most Valuable Player, Jason Bernd, won first in the Beach district at 125, first in regionals, and fourth in state.



Using the Arm-Bar Series, freshman Alex Winfield works forcefully to flip his opponent. Once the wrestler's shoulders are exposed to the mat, the controlling person can earn up to three back points.

FIRST ROW: Tim Brooks, Kyle Magyar, Rhyan Finch, Alex Winfield SECOND ROW: Jason bernd, Jamie Harris, Matt Farrington, Sokhan Om, Jeff Bernd THIRD ROW: Coach Joe Bothel, Coach Joe Tucei FOURTH ROW: Todd Berry, Brain Glover, Dave Throckmorton, Tom Juskevich, Joe Romano, Jason Fedida



Kneeling behind his opponent in the offensive position, senior Jason Bernd is prepared to turn him onto his back. Jason must maintain control, otherwise his adversary will get one point for an escape or two for a reversal.

Keeping Score

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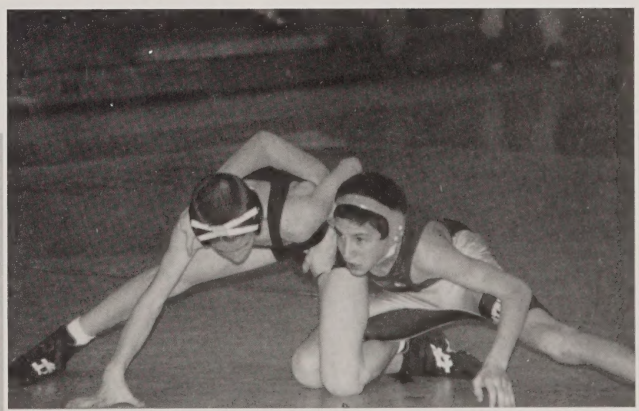
58 Kellam 17
35 Kempsville 37
40 Salem 36
21 Cox 53
28 Tallwood 42
26 Ocean Lakes 38



In the offensive position, Tim Brooks reacts to counter the Wizzer being executed by his Kellam opponent. Tim had a very successful first season due to his great heart and dedication.

Dressed in their warm-up suits, a group of starting wrestlers jog around the mat. Coach Bothel required his team to complete this routine in preparation for each match.

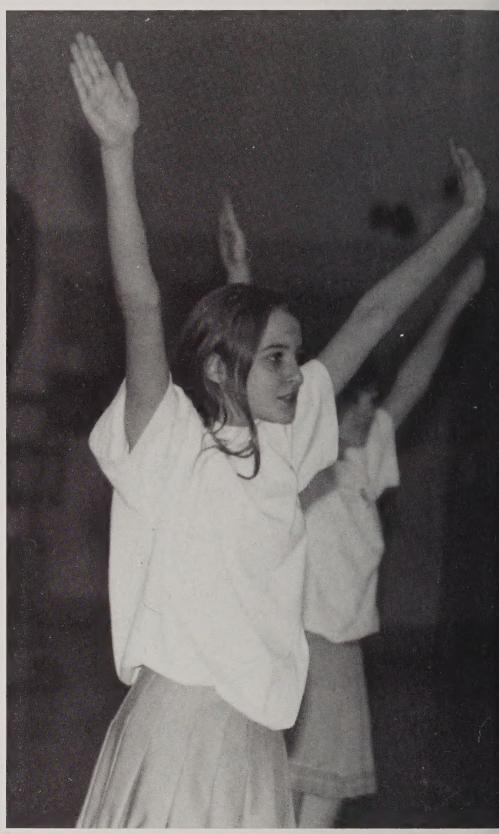
Showing Spirit
JV Cheerleading

The Junior Varsity Cheerleading squads' main purpose was to get the spectators, both students and adults, excited and involved in the endeavors and accomplishments of the teams. Led by Co-captains Jenny Heatwole and Candi Meredith, the squad worked diligently to learn new cheers and spirited routines to keep the crowd enthused.

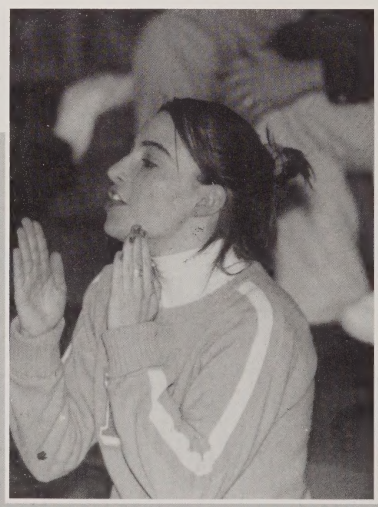
With chants, cheers, jumps, and part of a dance to learn, the girls eagerly prepared for tryouts which were held last spring. Once tryouts were over, the squads were formed and the girls learned to work together on their new routines and cheers. Their minds were filled with thoughts of full extensions, elevators, and basket tosses as they practiced or cheered often on a daily basis. At cheerleading camp they were also exposed to the technique of proper vocal production which aided them in saving their voices during the many sporting events throughout the year.

The coaching and encouragement of Mrs. Wilson helped the girls pull together and reach their goals. Coach Wilson set aside time during the summer calendar for the team to practice the various cheers and routines they had learned at cheerleading camp. She felt it was important for the camaraderie and for the perfection of the cheers. Candi Meredith commented 'Cheerleading was a lot of fun this year. We are proud to be the first J.V. squad to successfully pull off the basket toss. We couldn't have gotten it all together without Mrs. Wilson. She was the 'backbone' of our squad. Everything was new to us so we had to learn from experience, but in the end we had an awesome time."

Performing a special routine, the cheerleading squad holds their hands in the final position. During half-time, the cheerleaders were able to use the entire gym floor to do their cheers and stunts.



Raising their hands with enthusiasm, the JV Cheerleaders show their support at a basketball game. The girls did an outstanding job getting the crowd involved with the game.

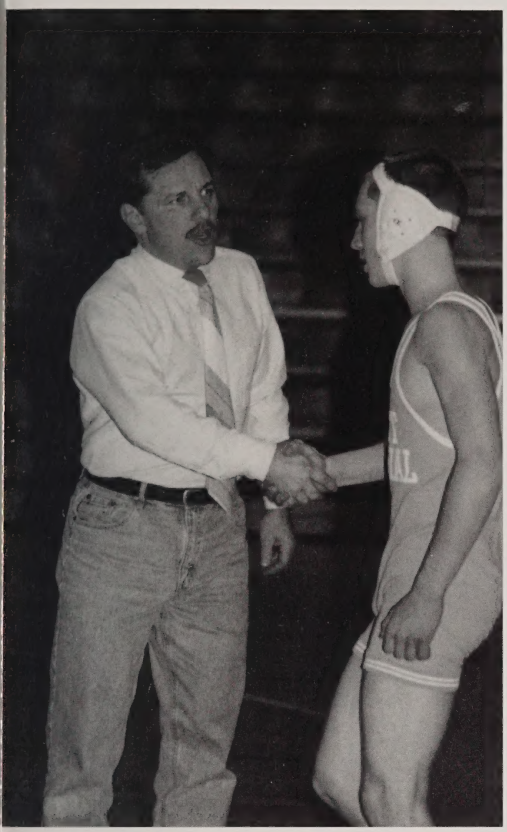


Watching the game, Ashley Gretz claps her hands along with a cheer. Cheerleaders enjoyed sitting on the sidelines during games.

FIRST ROW: Jenny Heatwole, Candi Meredith SECOND ROW: Jessica Edwards, Keturah Milford Brandy Martin THIRD ROW: Blair Eason, Amy Hammaker, Ashley Gretz, Shelly Swain

Pin Em' Down
JV Wrestling

Congratulating Daniel Butsavage, Coach Bothel shakes his hand for a successful match. Coaches Bothel and Tucei demonstrated their support for all team members at every meet.



Following the tradition of excellence, the JV Wrestling team worked diligently until their goals were reached. With diets to follow and swift moves to learn, the young team practiced daily until they reached perfection. When it came time to compete, every wrestler was successful at winning at least one match.

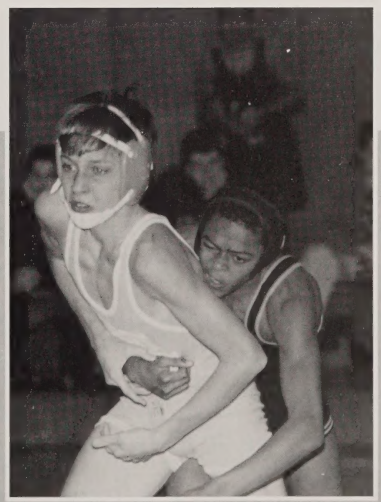
Patriot pride was an attritbute never lacking in the team or any individual member. Every wrestler proved not only to be excellent at the sport, but also as outstanding teammates. They practiced together, ran together, shed extra pounds, and spent their afternoons together. Since the score of the team relied on each match, the boys knew that skill and cooperation were the necessary keys. They often wrestled each other to practice new moves and work on their endurance which was beneficial with the test of their skill and dedication at each match.

The most challenging matches of the season were against Tallwood and Cox, The Most Valuable Player was Ryan Schalles while Ryan Finch earned the title of Most Improved Wrestler. Key players included Ryan Schalles, Danny Butsavage, Ryan Finch, and Joel Throckmorton. Ryan Finch commented, "This season was really good. We got the job done! The other teams had better get ready for us next year!"

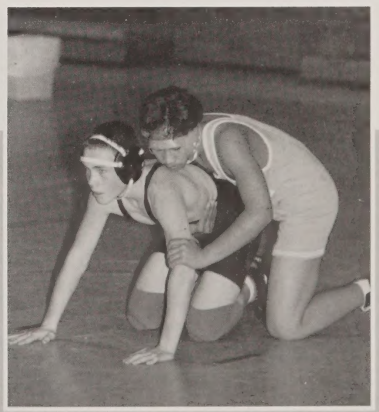
Scores

W Green Run
W Princess Anne
W Bayside
W Kellam
L Kempsville
W Salem
L Cox
L Tallwood
T Ocean Lakes

FIRST ROW Dan Butsavage, Sokhan Om, Kenny Michond, SECOND ROW Coach Bothel, Ray Bartron, Joel Throckmorton, Ryan Schalles, Coach Tucei



With a look of determination, Ryan Schalles tries to stay on his feet and keep from getting pinned. Wrestlers needed to know certain moves and skills to get out of sticky situations.



In starting position, Sokhan Om gets ready to pin his opponent and go for the win. Having the advantage in the beginning gives the wrestler a better chance to dominate and hopefully win the match.

Shake it, Shake it
Dance Team

What do ten girls, endless hours of practice, and great skill and coordination have in common? They were all the key components that, when compiled, made up the Dance Team.

The team was comprised of four freshmen, five sophomores, and one senior who were selected to be on the team after four days of intense tryouts during the spring of 1996. Once they were selected, the girls practiced diligently throughout the summer to choreograph and polish their routines for the fall's home football games.

The first performance, at the freshman orientation pep rally, received thunderous applause from the crowd, who later anxiously awaited their performances at the football games. Every Friday night, the girls debuted a new dance, which left the crowd enthusiastically applauding. The crowds official favorite routine, "Shake It!," was first performed at the fall sports pep rally.

Once it was basketball season, the team had prepared a whole new arrangement of routines, and had brand new uniforms. "Shake It!" was still the crowd's favorite, along with a routine to a mix of "Mission Impossible" and "Mortal Combat..

The dance team could not have made it through their many performances without the guidance of their sponsor, Mrs. Samdahl, who saw them through every practice and performance. Much credit must also be given to Lisa Midgett, their wonderful choreographer. Co-Captians, April Bell and Jennifer Gellasch provided their support leadership in all of the various activities. The amount of effort that the team put in was quite evident to the crowd by the girls' caliber of improvement by the end of the season.

Prepping for a kick, Laurie Quinn performs in the halftime show at the Homecoming game. Laurie was a freshman and newcomer to this year's team.

FIRST ROW: Laurie Quinn, Cassie ANthony, April Bell, Brooke Mathias, Melanie Ortt SECOND ROW: Jenny Bass, Taren Gregory, Jennifer Gellasch, Farrell Scifres, Ashley Porter

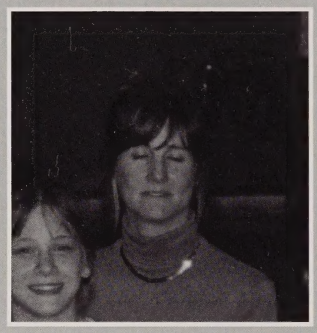
Spelling out the "I-O-N" of "ACTION," Jennifer Gellasch, Ashley Porter, Farrell Scifres, Taren Gregory, and Brooke Mathais perform during a halftime routine. Correlating their movements with the lyircs to the music made the dance team's routines all the more interesting.

At a pre-game practice in the small gym, the dance team practices a routine. Kick lines like these required impeccable synchronization from all the girls on the team.

Dancing to "Shake It!", April Bell smiles at the crowd. April, a returner to the team, was a co-captain and an invaluable dancer on the squad.

A Perfect Ten
Gymnastics

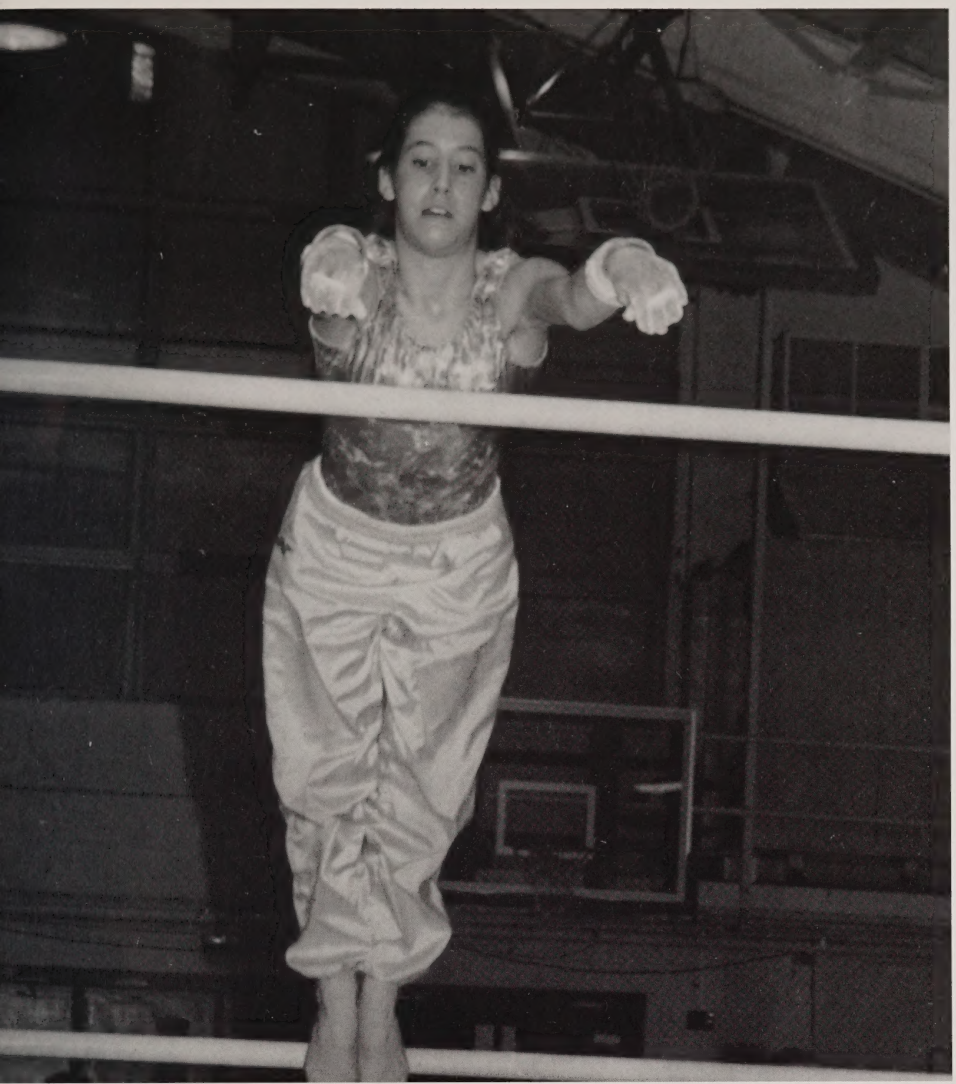
With grace and skill, the Girls Gymnastics team tumbled their way through another prosperous season. After many afternoons of intense practicing, all the gymnasts improved greatly. Each girl worked on the four apparatuses: bars, beam, floor, and vault, with each event putting emphasis on a different skill. Along with the immense amount of talent displayed on the team, the strong togetherness shared among the team members contributed to several victories. The light moments and friendships formed also made the season more enjoyable. Coach Bell described the team as "almost like family." One of the teams' most memorable moments included a meet against Princess Anne which also happened to be Susan Funk's birthday. The team went by limo out to dinner to celebrate and then to the meet.



Key gymnasts included Susan Funk and Heather Mckee with Susan being the recipient of the Most Valuable Player award. Although several gymnasts were lost through the season due to injuries, all agreed this was a building season. They were able to improve their skills so more girls were able to compete in more of the events. The team had some very tense meets including the one against Green Run who they ended up defeating. In order to calm nerves before a challenging meet, the girls often would take a moment to reflect together, strengthening the team as a whole. The fans made posters and supported them, which helped to boost their morale. Each girl competed with a sense of pride and determination, trying to hold the ever important smile on their faces. Gymnast Heather Mckee commented, "This season was great. We all got along great and put forth a lot of effort." On each event, the girls choreographed their own routines and, on floor, set it to the music of their choice. This responsibility alone was demanding. After a season full of hard work but a lot of fun, the Girls Gymnastics team, once again, came out on top.

Reaching for the floor, Jennifer Rainey prepares for another tumbling run. Jennifer's floor routines were always exciting to view.

FRONT ROW: Jennifer Rainey, Erin Millller, Elizabeth Coker, SECOND ROW: Lynn Morreale, Heather Mckee, Susan Funk Coach Bell



Traveling to the high bar, Susan Funk moves through her bar routine. Susan was one of the top gymnasts for the season.

Keeping Score

105.45 Ocean Lakes
132.75
98.425 Kellam 141.925
91.625 Tallwood 114.45
105.8 Cox 141.75
105.45 Kempsville 137.3
105.75 Green Run
100.55
105.45 Princess Anne
125.45
77.2 Salem 141.55

Displaying her flexibility, Christina Boettcher works on her floor routine. Christina was very agile and coordinated.

Preparing to start a new rotation, several gymnasts and Coach Bell stand in front of the bars. The girls were very supportive when a teammate was competeing

Making FaCes

Clubs whether service, honor, or just for fun were an integral part of student life. Teachers dedicated much of their personal and after school time to sponsor the various clubs and their related extracurricular activities. Fund raising, community service, and beautification of the school grounds were just a few of the projects adopted by most of the clubs. While some clubs operated on a local level, a few of them chose to operate on an international level. Then there were clubs which were involved primarily with exercising the mind through debates, academic formats, and problem solving.

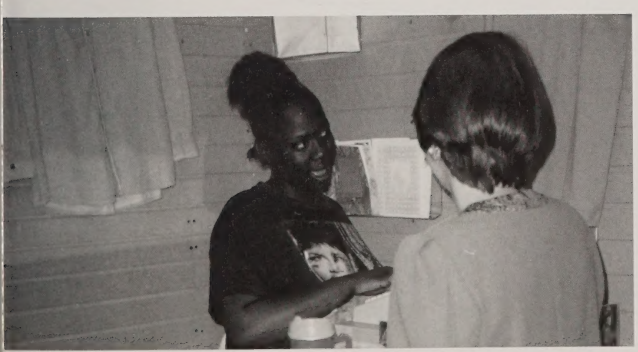
The administration and teaching staff believed that a basic education for all students would produce good citizens, well-rounded and able to function constructively in society. Academic courses offered were basic as well as varied. Students could choose from average, honor, advanced placement or gifted subjects.

Facial Expressions

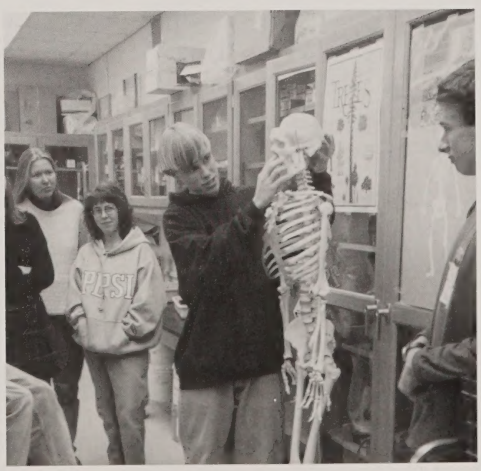
"Through the Future Educators of America club, I enjoyed the weekly tutoring sessions with the first graders at Linkhorn Elementary. I believe those experiences have given me an educated insight to the teaching field." Angela Davis, Freshman

"Taking Information/Word Processing class enabled me to learn all about Word Perfect, databases and the necessary basic skills needed for today's advancing technology." Jeff Kramer, Senior

In the photo lab, Stephan Laboccetta waits to see what pictures develop from his recent photography class assignment. Working in the school's lab gave students the opportunity to work with equipment to which they might not otherwise have access.



Working in The Wave, Sylvia Brown is excited about the sale she just made! Many students got the opportunity to work in the store during their lunch hour as a part of their marketing classes.



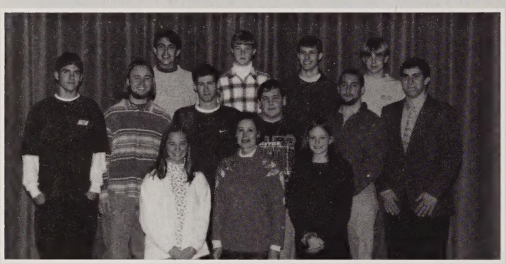
Pointing out certain features of the human skeleton, Chris Foster gives a presentation to his anatomy class. Within the entire school district, Anatomy was only offered at this school as part of its science program.

Scientifically Speaking

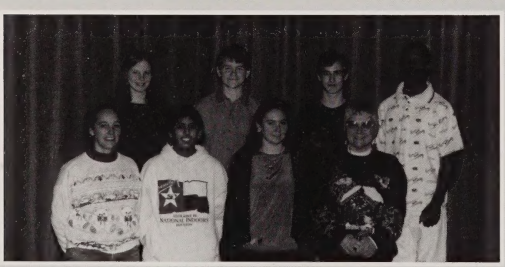
Science

J.E.T.S. FRONT ROW: Hollis Rifkin, SeanRubbbo, Jeannette Ortt SECOND ROW: Russell McConnell, Dan Weinberg, Mrs. Taliaferro, Adam Morrisette, Eric Grossgold

A.W.A.R.E. FRONT ROW: Francis Katogiritis, Coltne Muldrow, Benjamin Herson, Mrs. Keener SECOND ROW: Marcie Harris, Shelia Owens, Tonia Diaz



Science Club FRONT ROW: Heather McKee, Mrs. Taliaferro, Hollis RIfkin SECOND ROW: Rick Klobuchar, Russell McConnell, Dan Weinberg, Sean Rubbo, Erik Grossgold, Adam Morrissette THIRD ROW: Scott Hardee, Rip Gordon, Jeff Cooper, Kent Pruett



C.H.R.O.M.E. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Mannarino, Mily Kannarkat, Jennifer Ambler, Mrs. Arlene Keener SECOND ROW: Hollis Rifkin, Ben Matchett, Ben Herson, Adam Powell

The science department offered an array of classes to expand and improve students' knowledge of the field: earth science, biology, oceanography, chemistry, physics, anatomy and physiology, and environmental science.

Earth science focused mainly on the workings of the earth through hands on labs, activities, and independent thinking. Biology, the study of life, was the first stop in the ever anticipated world of dissections. Accelerated students had the option of taking the fast-paced version of biology and were allowed the added dissection of the fetal pig. Chemistry, a math-dependent science course, went in depth into the essential formula writing process, chemical changes, and the ever popular "Steeler Grids." It required great amounts of critical thinking and the application of math skills to almost all concepts. Advanced placement biology went further in depth into the biology curriculum, taking a three day field trip to False Cape to enhance their knowledge. In Anatomy and Physiology, students spent the majority of the year discovering and understanding the intricate workings of the human body. This pilot course, taught by Mrs. Reading and Mrs. Young, enabled students to acquire first aid skills and receive their CPR certification.

Applying the knowledge they had acquired in the various levels of class, students were encouraged to join clubs and Honor Societies to spark further interest in the sciences.

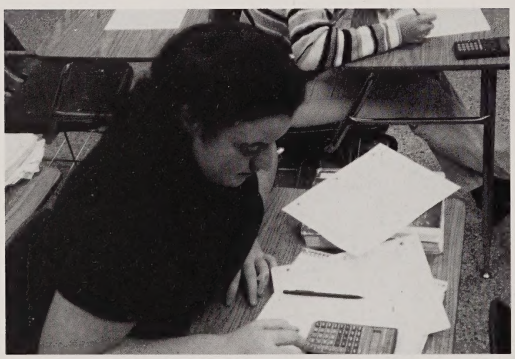
The AWARE Club, sponsored by Ms. Keener and president Tonia Diaz, worked to educate the masses about animal rights. "Activists Working for Animal Rights and the Environment," the group participated in events such Earth Day, Meatout Day, environmental conferences, and Animal Rights seminars. F(CHS)2 , the First Colonial High School Chemistry Honor Society, worked to encourage students interest in science by doing demonstrations and visiting middle schools. The requirements for membership were an A or B in any chemistry course. President Heather McKee and Mrs. Taliaferro led the Science Club. The group of twenty students spent most of their time after school tutoring others. The Environmental Club, sponsored by Mrs. Mannarino, participated in Clean the Bay Day and February's Environmental Conference to further their devotion to helping the environment.

On their field trip to False Cape, Advanced Placement Biology students took time out of their lectures and games for a brief meeting with Governor Allen. During this three day excursion, students experienced the benefits of hands on learning with animal behavior, the biomes, and general wilderness living.

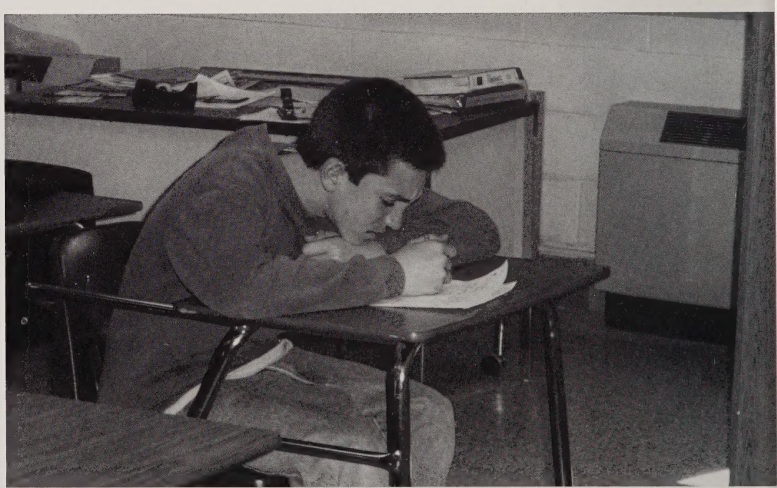
Environmental Club Mrs. Mannarino, Kristina Hill, Breigh Marshall, Marcus Eure, Elly Park

F(CHS)2 FRONT ROW: Mrs. Keener, Erik Grossgold, Mily Kannarkat, Jennifer Ambler, Hollis Rifkin, Stacy Tischler, Benjamin Herson, Jeff Bernd SECOND ROW: Cam Land, Jason Bernd, Joey Graves, Martin Tsai, Ashley Lucente, Katie Butler, Ty Henry, Will Gemmill

Solving a problem on the board, Mike Metric focuses on the assigned algebraic equation. Boardwork was an essential and beneficial part of math class as it often helped other students with concepts they didn't fully understand.



Using her calculator, Flannery Brady tries to correctly solve a graphing problem. The calculator, no matter how advanced, came in handy for students in all levels of math.



Trying to finish his math test before the bell rings, Josh Withers contemplates the correct answer. Many students thought the fifty minute bell was not enough time to complete a test but way too much time for a lecture.

Make the Connection

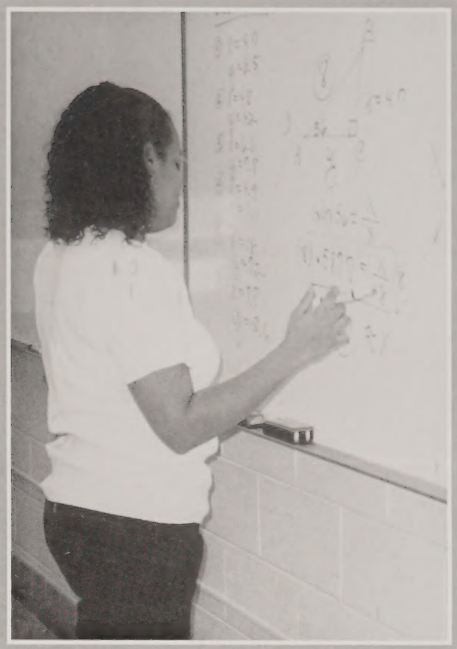
Math

Whether it was the quadratic formula or derivatives and integrals, math students were puzzled time and time again. Students seemed to agree that each year of math was slightly more difficult than the one they took the previous year. From memorizing theorems and formulas to solving difficult equations, math was a challenge at each level.

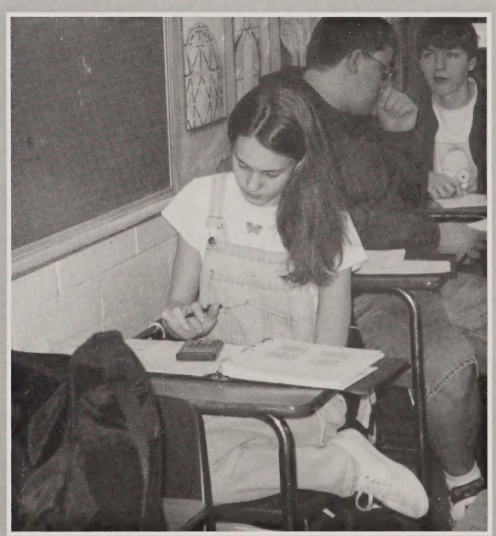
A variety of math courses were offered including consumer math, probability and statistics, algebra, geometry, algebra II, trigonometry, math analysis, and computer science. Advanced placement courses were also offered for those who had a specific interest in math. AP courses included calculus, probability and statistics, and computer science. Math analysis, the highest level of math before calculus, was an accumulation of the skills that began with algebra one while the logical aspects of geometry allowed students to see math from a different perspective. Advanced Placement Calculus students learned new concepts such as derivatives, integrals, and natural logs. The word derivative became a common word as AP students discovered that it calculated the slope of the line tangent to the curve.

Each class was a continuation of the one that was a prerequisite. The classes that each student decided to take early on determined their arrangement of math classes throughout high school. Those who began algebra one in eighth grade were able to advance to AP calculus in the twelfth grade. Senior Pat Arline commented, :I really wish I'd taken algebra in eighth grade so I could go ahead and get calculus out of the way before I go to college. I also wish I'd paid attention back in the day so all this stuff wouldn't be new to me now." Many students had 20/20 hindsight when it came to math.

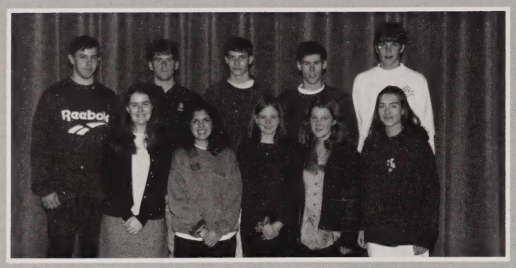
Although some students thought of math as boring and difficult, math teachers tried to make it enjoyable. Some teachers had dances and catchy pneumonic devices that helped the students learn the necessary concepts. Math teachers agreed that the most enjoyable part of teaching was seeing a students reaction when they made the connection and understood a concept.



Demonstrating her finely tuned math skills, Cynthia Murphy correctly completes a pythagorean triangle. Students often received one-on-one help through working problems on the board during class or after school,



Punching a series of numbers into her calculator, Bonnie Clark diligently completes her classwork. Using the latest model of calculators provided students with the latest technological advancements.



Model Judiciary FIRST ROW: Kelly Cobb, Meghan Bishop, Hollis Rifkin, Mindy Laster, Stephanie Stratman SECOND ROW: Eric Sawyer, Adam Carroll, Jeff Cooper, Dan Weinburg, Daniel FrieS

Student Leadership Forum FIRST ROW: Jennifer Gellasch, Dareth Trice, Rachelle Weber, Nicole Dechirico, Kelly Cobb, Mindy Laster, Dalia Gonzalez SECOND ROW: Dave Throckmorton, Channing Green, Jeff Linnett, Stephanie Strattman, Jessica Zelig, Heather Sweintek, Jeannette Ortt THIRD ROW: Jenn Ackerman, Andy Jaeckle, Wayne Howlett, Ben Woods, Eric Sawyer, Paul Smartchan, Andrew Gilmer, Dominik Reichenmiller, Luca Paoletti, Adam Morisette

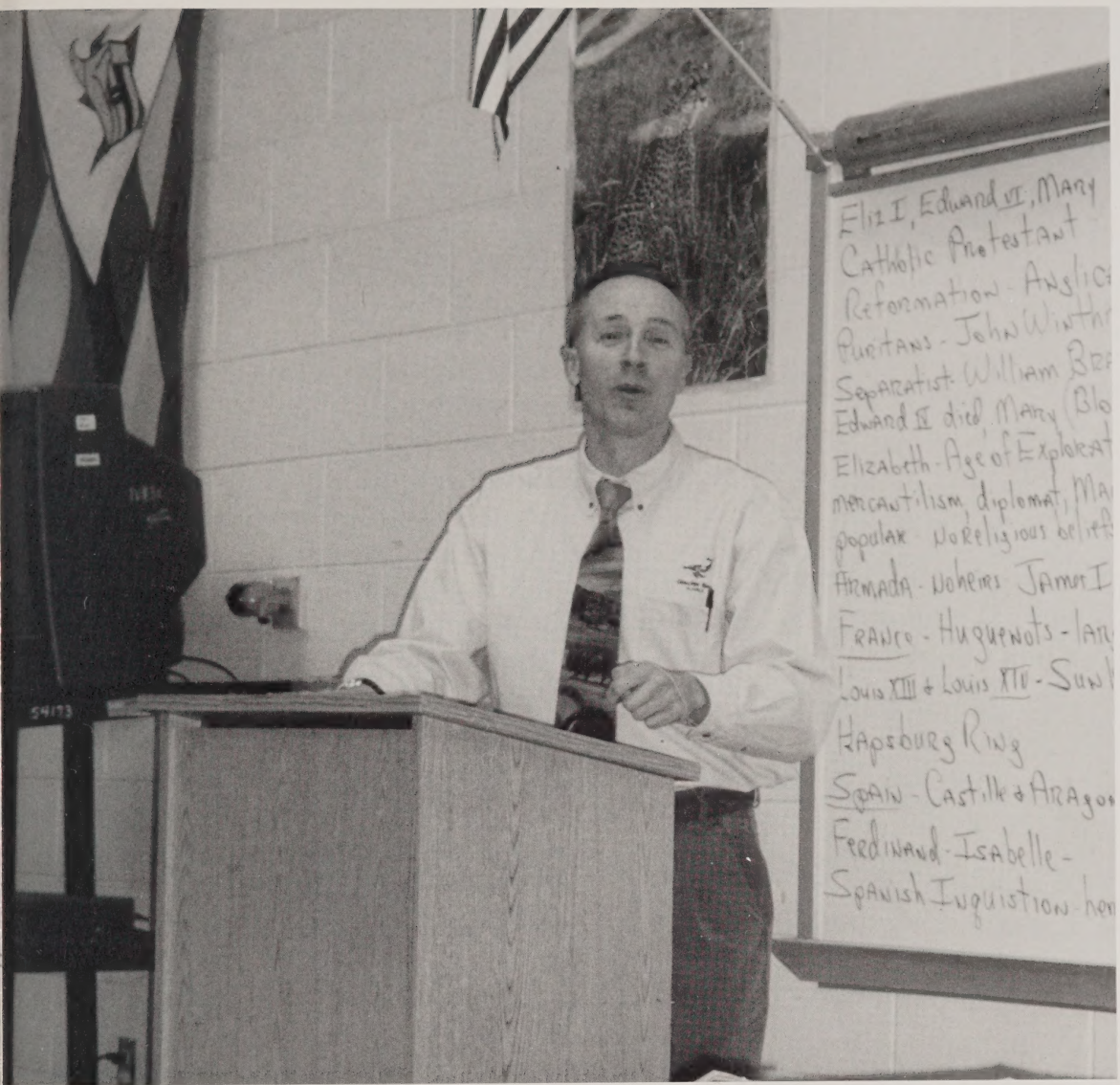
Scope on Society

Social Studies

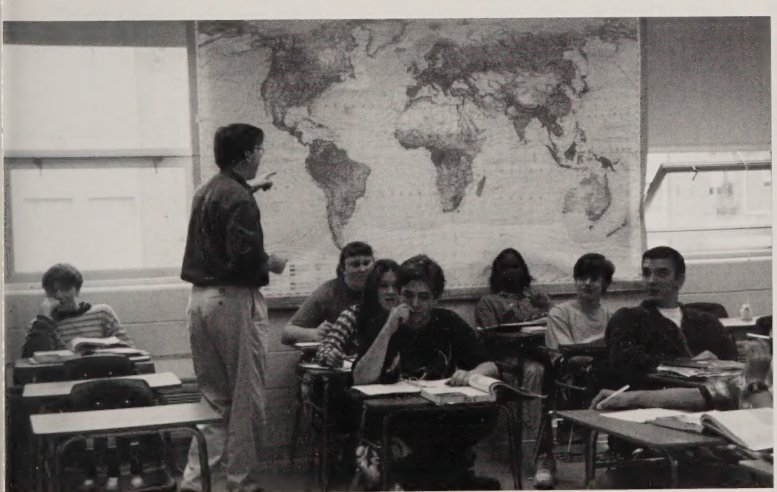
The subject of Social Studies concerned the art of understanding and communicating with others. Students examined political, economic, and social aspects of life around the world as well as throughout history. The grasp of this knowledge instilled the skills and attitudes that were essential to becoming productive in the modern world. The foundation was established by investigating America's past, its developments and institutions, and other nations and cultures of the world. Students studied these topics academically and experienced related extracurricular activities. The goals of these courses and clubs was achieved by exposing participants to ancient civilizations, current events, governments, politics, relations, and economics.

Mr. Harry Jackson, a World History and Sociology teacher described his objectives as "a focus on "self awareness and growth as a human being" as well as being "responsible and accountable for behaviors and actions." Social Studies clubs and courses achieved this objective as well as encouraged the students to think critically, make good decisions, work logically, and most importantly learn how to communicate and live in a democratic society.

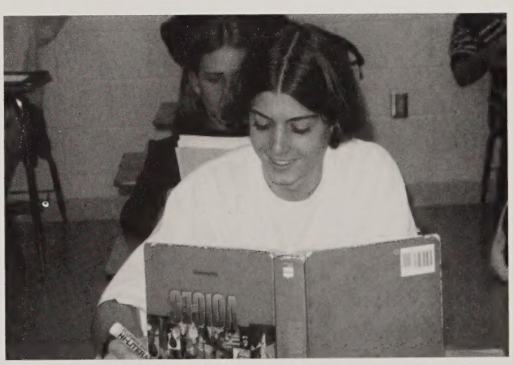
Two clubs that stressed these skills were the Student Leadership Forum and the Model Judiciary. Sponsor Mrs. Stuart Grimes, commented, "These clubs gave students the opportunity to deal with social issues and governmental relations. These experiences were invaluable to participating students." The Student Leadership Forum held weekly meetings at the Virginia Beach Pavilion from seven to nine on Wednesday nights. The purpose of this club was to prepare future leaders through the open discussion of political issues. Students who participated in the Student Leadership Forum visited Richmond to observe Virginia government in operation and possibly spark an interest to run for state office later in life. Dareth Trice commented, "The trip to Richmond really made me think about the way our government works and what effects a lot of the decisions I end



Addressing his World History class, Mr. Jackson reviews notes on European history. Mr. Jackson's lectures were full of facts, trivia, and real life experiences.

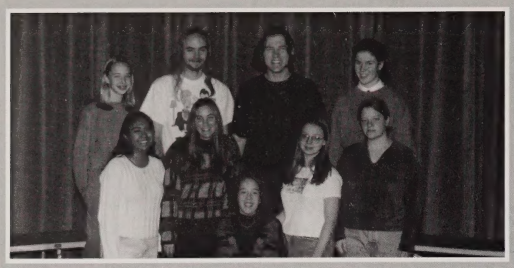


During geography class, Mr. MacDonald points out South America on the world map. Using resources such as maps, overheads, and laser dics, teachers were able to assist those who learn best through visual means.



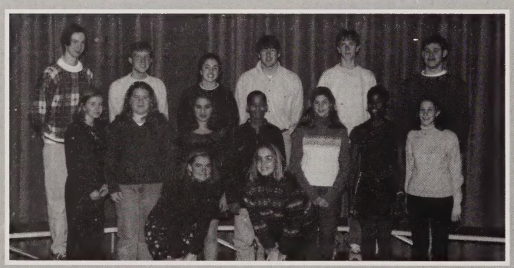
Highlighting notes from his US History book, Jeff Fleischman thinks deeply about the Boston Tea Party and its effects on American life today. Juniors were required to take Virginia and US History so they would be educated about their past in order to understand future events.

Write Stuff English



Literary Arts Magazine FIRST ROW: Claire Estoesta, Ashley Markovitch, Cori Tonkin, Amy Whedbee, Sarah Holliday SECOND ROW: Ashley Thow, Luke Roberts, Dwayne Appleton, Angie WIlson

Towne Crier FIRST ROW: Erin Rondeau (Editor in Chief), Brian Grulke (Layout Editor), SECOND ROW: Angela Thompson, Jennifer Reed, Susanna Aikin, Lacy Mitchell, Alex Naden



Forensics and Debate FIRST ROW: Elizabeth Coker, Meghan Powell, Elizabeth Weston, Sarah Byrne, Angelica Stevens, Leon Coleman, Mary Guinta, Natalia WIilson, Stacy Tischler SECOND ROW: Danny Dill, Scott Benson, Erin Rondeau, Dorman Minor, Mike Brinn, Scott Monroe

The school district's curriculum required four English credits for a student to graduate. Various courses offered were; Basic, Honors, Advanced Placement, Dual Enrollment and Tech Prep. Although all students were required to take an English course each year, the selections were varied and depended on the student's abilities and interests.

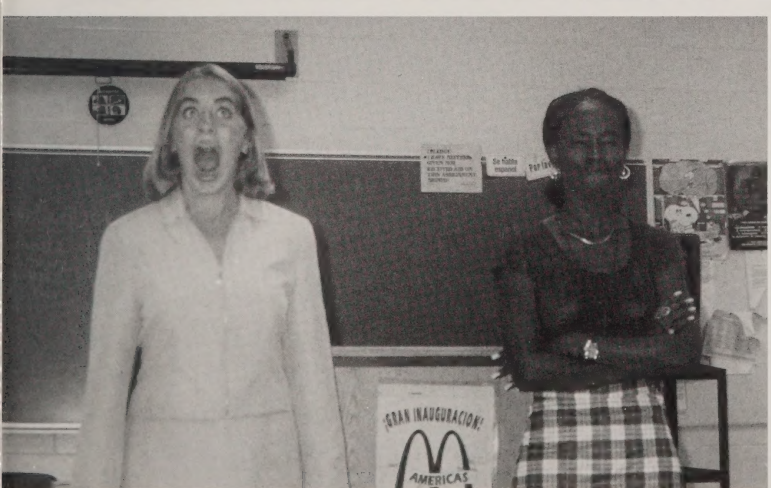
The ninth grade curriculum focused mainly on literature. Mrs. Antley's favorite class to teach was poetry which was a major unit in the honors class. The freshmen also spent a large portion of the year analyzing William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet. Focusing on World Literature, sophomore works included Dante's Inferno and Shakespeare's Julius Caesar. The eleventh graders studied the chronological order of American literature and Moby Dick which just happened to be one of Mrs. Haring's favorite novels. In previous years, Advanced Placement Language and Composition was offered for students of junior or senior standing, but this was the first year it was opened to sophomores. This class focused mainly on fine tuning the students' compositional writing and analytical thinking skills essential for reading comprehension. Seniors concentrated on British literature. Twelfth graders also had the opportunity to enroll in either Advanced Placement or Dual Enrollment. AP students focused on poetry and Shakespeare's work as they analyzed and prepared presentations on every aspects of his work. Dual Enrollment students received college credit from Tidewater Community College as they read short stories and fine tuned their creative writing skills.

Forensics and Debate, led by Mrs. Crommelin, focused mainly on perfecting the art of public speaking. The team participated in tournaments throughout the state, as well as invitationals at Longwood College and Harvard University.

The Towne Crier staff met every Thursday to produce their monthly papers. Sophomore editor-in-chief Erin Rondeau and sponsor Mrs. Ridill headed up the paper's production. The latest issue of the Towne Crier was anticipated as each month rolled around.

Members of the Literary Arts Magazine staff worked under the supervision of editor-in-chief Dwayne Appleton to produce their final production in May which was a compilation of students' literature and artwork.

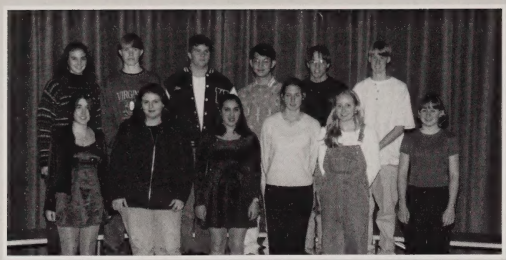
Known for his computer technical abilities, English teacher Mr. Kaminski assists Dustin Judge on the proper alignment of his paper. Mr. Kaminski's students finished the year with excellent writing style and a firm foundation of understanding for writers and their techniques.



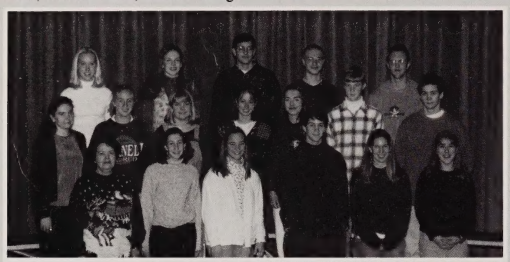
Doing mouth jumping jacks before a tournament, Meghan Powell and Natalia Wilson warm up their mouths and eyes for proper pronunciation and facial expression. Meghan and Natalia participated in both Forensics and Debate.

After discussing Wednesday's episode of 90210 with her classmates, Nicole DeChirico tries to focus on Shakespeare's Hamlet. Mrs. Ridill's senior English class was not only educational, but applicable to everyday life as well.

Say It Again
Languages

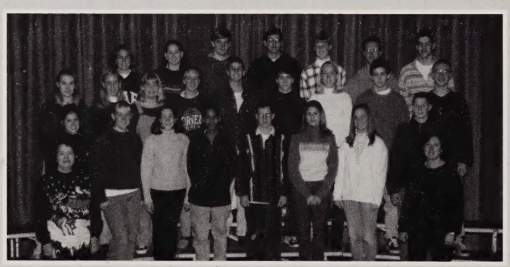


Latin Club FIRST ROW Lena Kruth, Tig Georgiou, Angelica Stephan, Rachelle Weber, Lesley Lovett, Elaine Rupp SECOND ROW: Christie Marzahn, Chris Foster, Mike Farraher, Martin Tsai, Steve Clark, Brett Young



Spanish Honor Society FIRSTROW: Mrs. Clare, Stacy Tischler, Heather McKee, Jason Bernd, Leola Swart, Stacy Smith SECOND ROW: Jenny Ambler, Adrienne Crisp, Katie Butler, Kelly Hudgens, Steph Strattman, Rip Gordon. Jeff Bernd THIRD ROW:Paige Townsend, Candy Marhenholtz, Luca Paoletti, Dom Reichenmiller, Chris Grafton

German Club FRONTROW: Kristen Livingston, Dominik Reichenmiller, Jeff Copper, Adam Morrisette SECOND ROW: Alex Naden, Helena Machaj, Grace Bonney, Sean Rubbo, Leslie Kearley, Hollis Rifkin, Jeannette Ortt, Bonnie Manaskie THRID ROW: Danny Chung, Keith Hensley, Jenna Bergfield, Melissa Macomber, Sarah Baumstimler, Suzie Aikin, Shayna Kessel, Ben Herson FOURTH ROW: Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Lewis, Kevin McCabe, Erik Grossgold, Jimmy Thomson, Tony Bonanno. Todd Stafford



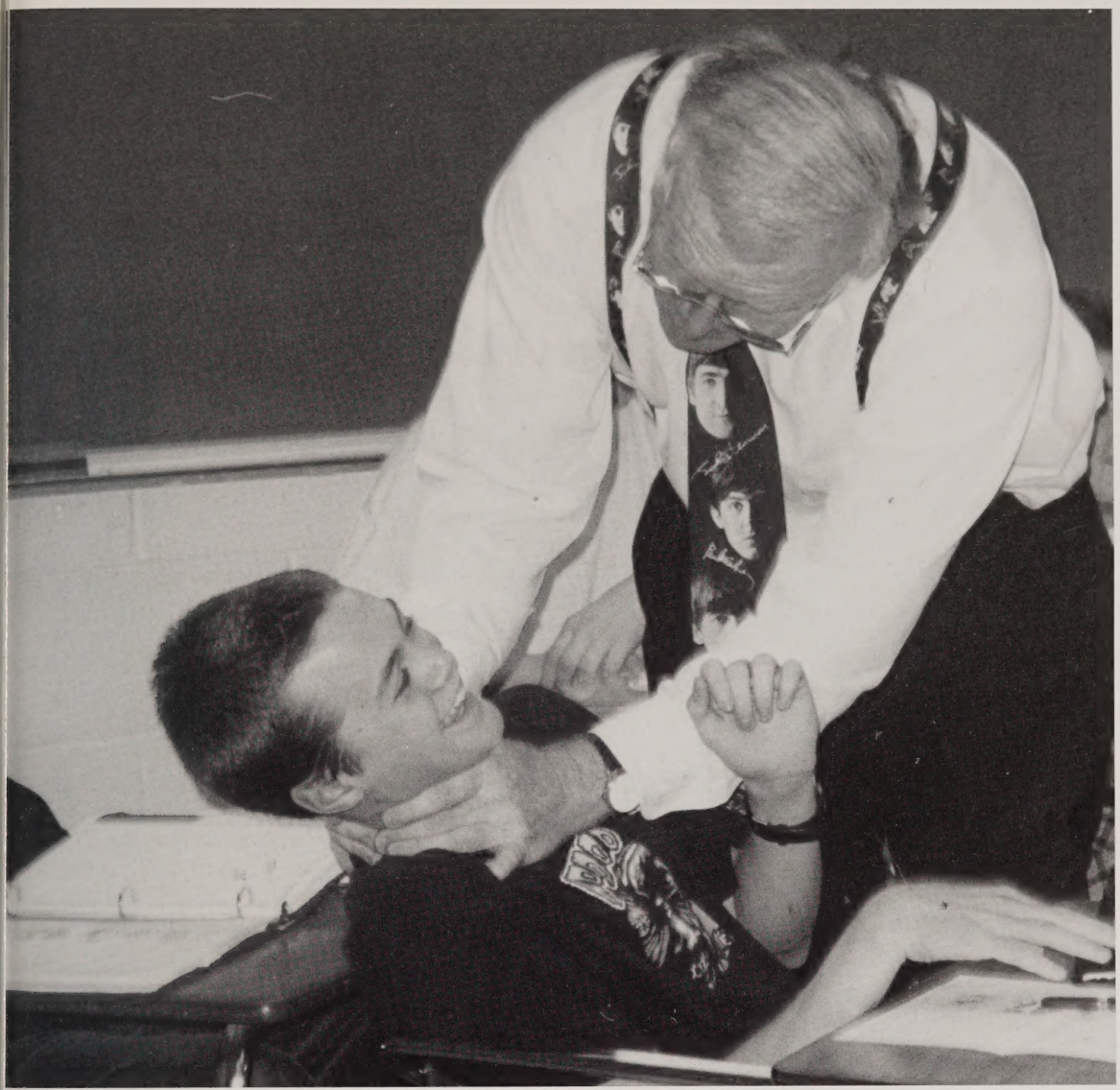
Spanish Club FIRST ROW: Mrs. Clare, Mrs. Howell SECOND ROW: Elizabeth Batdorf, Erin Meredith, Stacy Tischler, Leon Coleman, Jordan Anthony, Mary Giunta, Heather McKee, Colin Young THIRD ROW: Katie Squibb, Kristen Eitel, Katie Butler, Adrienne Crisp. Jarrett Fischer, Jason Bernd, Paige Townsend, Jeff Bernd, Dominik Reichenmiller FOURTH ROW: Morgan Snodgrass, Heather White, Pat Lonning, Luca Paoletti, Rip Gordon, Chris Grafton, Jason Jacobson

High school was all about expanding horizons and reaching new limits academically, culturally, and socially. A foreign language was one of the ways students expressed themselves in class, in Honor Societies, and clubs.

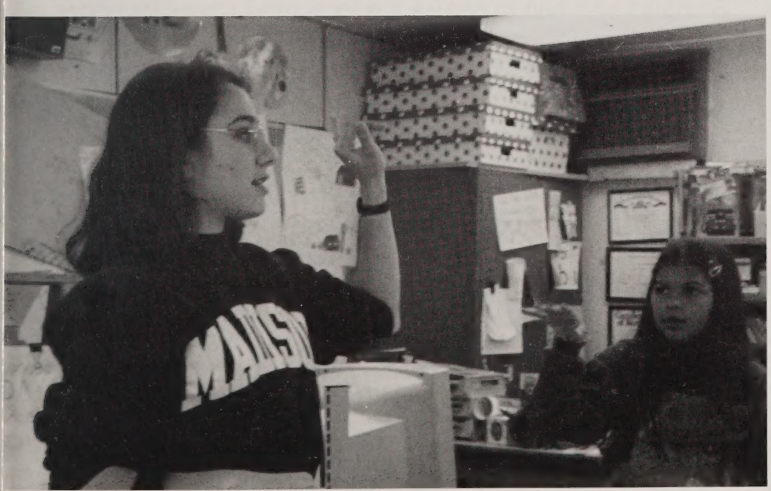
Students from all walks of life were found taking foreign language classes. Be it French, Spanish, German, or Latin, each teacher utilized different methods to assist studens in learning and understanding the cultures of the countries around the world. Senora Clare's Spanish classes often cooked platanos (or bananas) to learn about food while French classes often watched movies or read novels to become immersed in the language. After at least one year, most students wanted to experience more of the language they grew to love and understand.

Honor Societies were an extension and an honor for those who excelled and wanted to increase their knowledge of a language and its culture. The Spanish Honor Society dined at El Azteca on numerous occasions and sponsored a canned food drive for the needy. The French Honor Society enjoyed watching French films, eating French foods, Christmas caroling, puppet shows, and dining at Le Chambord for that "real" French food experience. Selected students from both honor societies taught classes at local elementary schools which in turn helped them brush up on their own skills. Those involved never stopped learning about the culture of those that spoke their language.

Clubs were another way for students to interact with those who enjoyed the same language as themselves. The Spanish Club spent their time bowling during all hours of the night, eating at El Azteca, fund-raisers, and seeing a live performance of Spanish dancers. The German Club was involved with many activities including participating in a German church service, selling Entertainment Books, skiing in Massannutten, dining at German restaurants, and saying farewell to the wonderful Seniors in May. Members of the Latin Club were found spending time with students at Alanton during foreign language week and keeping themselves involved with the Latin culture.



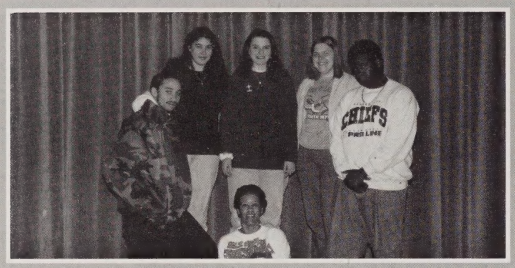
During a class discussion, Senor Mather jokingly strangles Trey Standing who at the time had drifted off to a momentary daydream. These active subtleties from Senor Mather kept an upbeat rapport with the students and a lighthearted classroom atmosphere.



Trying to teach elementary students the fun found in French, Kim Castora uses her hands as visual communication. Kim found that various animations were useful especially with the smaller children.

French Honor Society FIRST ROW: Luke Roberts, Ross Barkley, Lauren Polino, Kim Castora, Elizabeth Feltes SECOND ROW: Melanie Ortt, Kristen Inglis, Stephanie Turner, Lacy Mitchell, Lindsay Ritter, Sarah Otto THIRD ROW: Zach Bradley, Marcus Eure, Katie Sherman, Elly Park, Kit Johnson, Tyler Henry, Farrell Scifres, Megan Christiensen

FHA: FIRST ROW: Jill Robertson, Danielle Ward, Adrianne Ward, Brooke Smith, Crystal Piland, Tamara Lyons, Lauren Weiss SECOND ROW: Jaime Hughes, Amanda Smith, Terri Hadley, Jerry Wiggins, Kelly Cobb, Mrs. Perry THIRD ROW: Phillip McCarty, Elizabeth Biggin, Cynthia Turner, Nathaniel Land, Richard Mallison



HERO: FIRST ROW: DJ Rivera, Mrs. Perry, George Shaw SECOND ROW: Jessica Barry, Jenna Stahl, Jill Gleich THIRD ROW:

Where the the Heart is Human Services

Some students took the initiative this year and started learning how to make their house, now and in the future, a home by participating in the various Human Services classes. Cooking and sewing were the two most popular courses offered this year.

Culinary arts, child development, interior design, home economics, and catering were the titles of the classes available to students. Those who took culinary arts or catering learned about the preparation and presentation of foods. They also had the distinct honor of catering various school and community dinners. Child Development enforced the fundamentals of raising a child and each of the phases a child experiences throughout their development. One requirement of the class was for students to carry a baby doll around for a week and treat it as if it were alive. Never being able to leave the child alone meant they had to procure a babysitter if they wanted to go out at night, go shopping, etc. They also had to get teachers to sign off on a sheet that they were always respectful of their baby and never neglected it even in class.

Interior Design focused on the elements and principles of design, housing, and furniture styles. Diagrams on homes and decorating plans were often drawn and fabric swatches were collected as students made models of their "ideal" home. Students also had to peruse the local retail stores for prices of the articles with which they desired to furnish their home. This not only taught design, color, and styles but also brought into play the economical side of the equation.

One of the more popular classes was Independent Living which taught students about renting apartments, basic sewing techniques, and how to fill out applications and resumes. Students became dependent on themselves and acquired skills needed to either live on their own, with a roommate or live successfully at home or on a college campus.

FHA and HERO were the two organizations that reinforced the fundamentals of living. Future Homemakers of America members sewed and baked for community service projects. Home Economics Related Occupations focused more on the catering and food preparation aspects. HERO members took field trips to local restaurants, culinary art shows, and food exhibitions.

Members of FHA, HERO, and those who opted to take related classes paved the way for the future and the futures of those who would surround them.

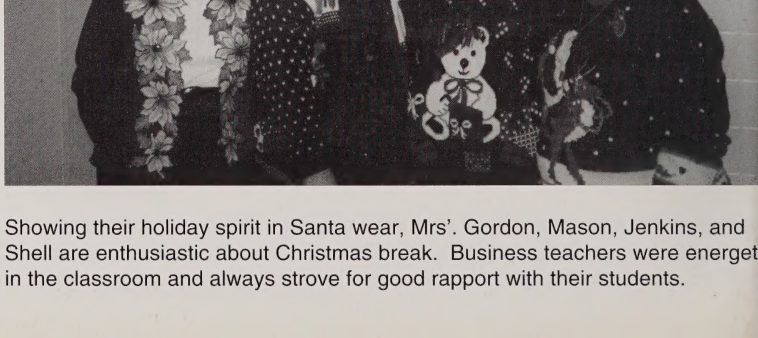
Trying not to splatter the ingredients on their crisp, white aprons, Jeremy Harris and Amanda Smith mix the powdered sugar and flour for their baking assignment. Cooking classes helped students prepare for a possible future in the culinary arts.

After numerous attempts at making a home made cake, Jackie Hill, Paul McReynolds, Eric Miles, and Shanavian Felton sift the dry ingredients. Procedures learned in cooking class were helpful for special occasions at home as well as at school.

ocuing on the proper technique, Erin Miller lines up her fabric before starting e machine. In sewing class, students mastered one of the hardest procedures hich was threading the eye of the needle.

Improving his keyboarding, Brian Duncan smiles at the thought of completing his assignment on time. Developing good word processing skills was an essential specialty students would acquire and use throughout their lifetime.

Voted as DECA princess and prince, Krissy Roberts and Mark Kickhofel debut their snazzy outfits at the Homecoming parade. Many students involved in DECA gave up their time to learn about gaining leadership skills in marketing and how to best present themselves to possible clients.



Showing their holiday spirit in Santa wear, Mrs'. Gordon, Mason, Jenkins, and Shell are enthusiastic about Christmas break. Business teachers were energet in the classroom and always strove for good rapport with their students.

Cutting a Deal

Business

Business courses gave students an opportunity to take classes which would help them in future business careers. While students learned an array of skills from keyboarding to accounting, many students took keyboarding in order to fulfill their practical art credit for graduation. Higher level business students could take classes such as Information Word/Processing which taught computer literacy, and Advanced Computer Information Systems which provided students with more in-depth knowledge of networking computers.

The Future Business Leaders of America was the club for students who took business classes and planned to pursue their career in that area after high school. Some of the activities that the club participated in was the Angel Tree and the Ask Foundation. The officers were Kate Lynch (Pres.), Marcie Harris (V. Pres.), Hunter Mach (Sec.), Brandi Roberts (Treas.), and Tasha Quidley (His). Kate Lynch commented "The year was successful and fun for the club members. I believe that the FBLA made a worthy contribution to the community."

Through Marketing Education, the DECA club enhanced merchandising and marketing skills. Participants in the city-wide officer training competed in career areas wherein four students were selected to the state competition. Competing in DECA's National Career Development Conference in California, Daniel Kupke was the first student in over a decade to compete in that national event. Their service project at Christmastime was Adopt-A-Family. The sponsors this past year were Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Nopper. The officers were Elizabeth Yax (Pres.), Erin Miller (V. Pres.), Laura Farley (Sec.), Mark Kickhofel (Exe. Boardman) and Cynthia Turner (His.).

The Future Educators of America appealed to students who had an interest in a career as a teacher. Club members volunteered to assist a teacher and tutor students at area feeder elementary schools. The officers were Sarah Young (Pres.), Jennifer Heatwole (V. Pres.), Jennifer Mullen (Sec.), Heather Ross (Treas.) and Mrs. Kemp their sponsor. From these activities, F.E.A. members gained firsthand experience for a possible future career in education.

DECA FIRST ROW:Jillissa Robertson, Erin Miller, Latoya Blount, Cynthia Turner, Scott Ragsdale, David Ritter SECOND ROW:: Cory Poole, Tonia Diaz, Tim Fitzwilliams, Clay Hale, Anniemae Larson THIRD ROW: Dana White, Harold Britt, William Henry Johnson

Future Educators of America FIRST ROW: Catalina Lopez, Mary Giunta, Jennifer Robinson, Heather Ross SECOND ROW: Mrs. Kemp, Angela Davis, Jennifer Mullen, Jennifer Heatwole, Erin Miller, Sarah Young

Future Business Leaders of America FIRST ROW: Marcie Harris, Brandi Roberts, Tonia Diaz SECOND ROW: Mrs. Jenkins, Hunter Mach, Kelly Cobb

VICA FIRST ROW: Mrs. Brown, Jason Greer, Veronica Smith, Elisha Hines, Alisha Sumerlin, Nichole Smith SECOND ROW: Sam Lattuca, Steven Lee, Eric Willis, Jackie Hills, John Edwards, Soya Stieff, Justin O'Neal

TECHNOLOGY

Building the Future

Technology

Technology classes allowed students the opportunity to gain hands-on technical practice related to various working fields. Students could select from an arrayment of technical courses that included electricity, photography and printing, technical drawing, metal technology, wood technology, material technology, productior technology, small engines, principles of technology, and introduction to engineering.

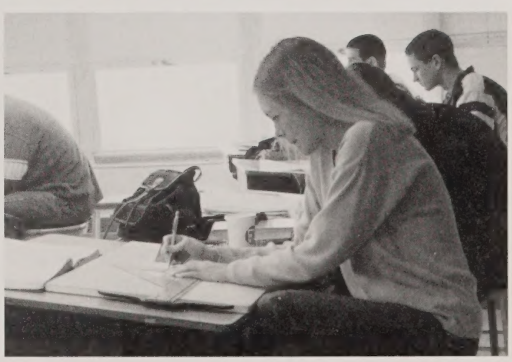
Numerous reasons contributed to student's objectives for taking these classes. Some took them to get an advance in the job marke or because they enjoyed learning about the technical end of businesses. Others took them because the skills they learned in these classes were practical and what they needed in order to be successful later in life. Mike Marshall commented, "Most people take them because they are difficult. I believe that they are also a good chance to experiment with different jobs and will help me to find an interesting career."

Some people had a predetermined opinion about technology classes: a group of sweaty guys who wore safety goggles while cutting wood with a pile of saw dust on the floor. However, that stereotype was proven incorrect when one looked more closely at the content of the technology department. Students used high tech equipment to make a variety of different contraptions. Kevin Jones commented, "It's amazing how I've always looked down on these classes. Now that I'm taking technical drawing, I realize that I am one step ahead of everyone else. They say that technology is the wave of the future, I recommend these classes to everyone."

Technology classes gave students the opportunity to gain experience with technical areas and learn more about careers in fields dealing with technology. Many job scouts and career experts agreed that job opportunities of tomorrow were available to those with computer training. Those students who took advantage of these opportunities were a step ahead of the rest and their goals were more in their grasp. Technology students were learning to be in charge of their future while gaining the steps needed to reach their goals.

Trying to select the correct size for her black and white photograph, Krista Zinner lines up the machinery. Photography students learned how to take, develop, and crop their own photos.

Making sure he doesn't stub his finger, Bryan Wells hammers a nail into his latest creation. Students practiced hammering, sawing, and gluing before digging into their nine week project.



With the assistance of a specialized ruler and pencil, Katie Harris perfects her technical drawing project. Katie, along with her classmates, worked diligently to master the skills needed for precise drawings.

Fighting Patriots

NJROTC

Smiling after the February competition at York High School are the cadet drill team and color guard who are pleased with their performance. These students competed in several competitions throughout the year.

Checking the flag after competition are cadets W. Trott, T. Laskowski, S. Lightner, J. Richardson, R. Casey and S. Guyton. Learning respect and proper care of the flag were ideals instilled to all NJROTC members.

Proud to be citizens of the United States of America, the NJROTC (Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps) Cadets-known as the "Fighting Patriots"- have been hosted by First Colonial for the past twenty-five years.

Encouraged by instructors CWO4 Frank E. Zurschmit, CWO4 Ed Mebane, Cadet Lieutenant Commander Theo Casey, and the staff of dedicated cadets, various Navy sponsored unit honors were earned. Among these were the Chief of Naval Education and Training Unit Award for 1995-96.

The primary objectives were to enhance leadership skills, promote self-discipline, and foster student awareness of the responsibilities associated with becoming an informed and positive influence in American society. The cadets viewed themselves as a mainstay of service to the school and the community.

Co-sponsored by the U. S. Navy and the Virginia Beach City Public School System, NJROTC continued to cooperate with Cox High in the presentation of a balanced program centered upon a unique high school experience.

The cadet educational experience was reinforced by participation in week-long sea cruises aboard naval ships. There was also active training performed at various naval commands and installations for firefighting and damage control.

Extra curricular activities included several social events: Virginia Beach Annual NJROTC Military Ball; Military Drill Competitions at Gloucester, York County, and Norfolk. The Virginia Beach Winter Invitational competition was co-hosted with the Princess Anne, Green Run and Salem units.

Community service was provided at "College Night" in November, the Shamrock Marathon in March, and the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in May. The color guards, escort services, sword arches and special ceremonial details enhanced numerous school events throughout the year.

At the annual Military Ball, the color guard presides over the opening festivities. Honoring country and flag at every event was standard procedure for all cadets.

Standing at attention, the cadets give their first salute. As new cadets, they competed their graduation of indoctrination.

After another color guard team competition, J. Opfer, W. Trott, J. Guyton, E. Forbes proudly display the American and NJROTC flags. The color guard team performed admirably at every event.

Marching in the Homecoming parade, the NJROTC cadets lead the way. The cadets headed the parade and set the tone for the entire event.

ORCHESTRA FIRST ROW: Jeff Bernd, April Muldrow, Lena Kruth, Daveth Trice, Kelly Knowles, Johnathan Kim, Gayle Rubin, Courtney Bryan, Emily Price, Mari Karmen Kongeibel-Rosique, John Sutton SECOND ROW: Leonard Jones, Kirsten Ponton, Maggie McConnell, Zach Bradley, Katie Sherman, Josh Snyder, Corbin Thomas THIRD ROW: Mike Woolridge, Hillary Schoon, Kristen Inglis, J.L. Hinkley, Keynan Almer, Melissa Zitron, Ms. Marguerite Alley

Strung Out Orchestra

As the melodious sounds of the orchestra floated down the halls bells one and seven, the blending of tone and interpretation were heard and enjoyed by all listeners. The Chamber and Advanced Orchestras, were under the direction of Miss. Marguerite Alley,

The group, which consisted of a total of thirty-six instrumentalists, committed a majority of their day to perfecting their orchestral melodies. Aside from their class practice time, one bell a day, the musicians also were invovled in outside orchestras, private lessons, and at home practices. Also, before a performance there were mandatory twice a week group practices after school.

Among the orchestra's special events this year, were "Babes in Toyland," All-State Orchestra, District Festival, Senior Regional Orchestra, and a performance at Disney World in Orlando, Flordia through an audition process. Miss. Alley commented, "My objective for this year's orchestra is to continue our tradition of earning a "number one" rating at festival. We also hoped to be invited to play on the international stage during our April trip to Disney World."

Because of their hard work and dedication to music, some orchestra members were able to excell in extracurricula organizations. These outside orchestras, such as the Senior Regional Orchestra, required their members to give a great deal of time and talent for practices, rehearsals, and performances. Junior, Lena Kruth and sophmore, Kristin Inglis were both awarded a spot in this prestigious orchestra.

The orchestra was a diverse group of students, playing a variety of instruments. Everything from the smallest violin and viola to the largest bass fiddle was represented in the group. Corbin Thomas, a freshman who played the gigantic bass fiddle, commented,"I started playing the bass fiddle, or string bass in the fifth grade at Alanton Elementary and continued with the orchestra at Lynnhaven Middle. I chose this instrument because it's unique and fun to play. I'm very fortunate to be a part of such a wonderful orchestra. I really love the orchestra class and really enjoy the friendships I've made and the interesting people I've come to know."

Keeping his eyes on the conductor, Zach Bradley performs a solo in the fall concert. Zach, a junior, began playing violin in the fifth grade at Kingston Elementary.

With intense concentration, Courtney Bryan and Mari Karmen Kongibel Rosique work with the whole orchestra on a piece for Festival. The group had numerous practices all together before any performance.

Studying the musical score, Rick Pittman and J.L. Hinkley work on synchronizing the various rhythmic patterns. Practice time was often spent with other orchestra members in order to perfect the intonation and dynamics of the musical piece.

Acting Out Drama

THESPIANS FIRST ROW: Sara Nash, Devo bodenstein
SECOND ROW: Carrie Cross, Greg Peterson, Chris Quade

PATRIOT PLAYERS FIRST ROW: Johnathan Kim, Stacy Roach, Dan Giles, Hillory Schoon, Dawn Malone, John Almaguer, Francis Katogritis, Crystal Wood, Cori Tonkin SECOND ROW: Lisa Hatfield, Mable Monroe, Cat Bowman, Marielle Mackin, Dalia Gonzalez, Carolyn Paddock, Antigone Georgiou, Amanda Whitelock, Elizabeth Coker Third Row: Buddy Shippp, Bill Jones, Emily Woods, Jenny Arsuaga, Preston Pickett, Dwayne Appleton, Robin Weber, Autione Wilson, Jeremy Dice

With the exceptional leadership from Mrs. Curtis, the drama department succeeded in maintaining their impressive reputation. Along with acting, many students learned skills in makeup, costuming, directing, and technical aspects. Some students even took on the responsibility of set design and technical work. With all this skill and talent, the drama department was able to put on shows that inspired awe in those who came to watch. These productions were sponsored by the esteemed theatrical group of Thespian Troupe 3178 of the International Thespian Society. Thespians often set the standard for others working in theatre. Along with sponser Nancy Curtis, the Thespians were led by officers Sara Nash, Jessica Holmes, Devonah Bodenstein, and Carrie Prass. The eleven members of the Thespian Troupe did not just get handed their membership. they had to work for it. Along with the traditional rite of initiation that had to be completed successfully, the Thespians had a past of extensive work in theatre. Many began developing their acting skills well before high school. Once becoming a member, they worked hard during festivals, rehearsals, and work calls.

Along with the thespians, the Patriot Players also displayed their acting talent throughout the year. The twenty-five member group callaborated with the Thespians in productions such as "Steel Magnolias, Babes in Toyland, Small Actors, and Inherit the Wind". Each show turned out to be an amazing success. The Patriot Players worked hard in rehearsal, often everyday, for upcoming productions. This group provided an opportunity for those not members of the Thespian Troupe to become involved in the theatre. The Patriot Players along with the Thespians participated in several field trips in order to get a first hand grasp on theatre. Several of these field trips included one to the University of Richmond to see "Into the Woods." They also viewed the Virginia Stage Company's "Christmas Carol." Both the Thespians and the Patriot Players took pride in the fact that they "made magic happen." Throughout their long hours of hard work on the stage, the Thespians tried to hold to their motto, "Act well your part, there the honor lies." Aside from learning acting skills, students studied the history of theatre, and how to breath and speak in a way that would project. Everyone in theatre agreed that the work done was always a success.

Preparing to take their final bows, the actors in the December performance of Babes in Toyland line up on stage. This production was filled with talent from the drama, choral, band, and orchestra classes.

While visitng Scotland, Megan Buzick, Elizabeth Batdorf, and Jessica Holmes prepare for their preformance. Several students were given the once in a lifetime opportunity to travel and perform in this well-known festival.

Working on a pre-performance exercise, Marielle Mackin, Carrie Prass, and Devonah Bodenstein take a theatrical pose. Students daily worked on various skills to improvce their acting.

Art Honor Society FIRST ROW: Stephanie Richards, Leola Swart, Meghan Bishop, Jeannette Ortt, Stacey Smith SECOND ROW: Mary Lenhart, Laura Heeb, Emily Hargis, Tonia Diaz, Jessica Zelig, Heather Swientek THIRD ROW: Hank Godwin, Merrye Marie Meeks, Jennifer Loane, Rachel Bradley, Heather Thomas, Stephanie Strattman, Melissa Stevens, Mrs. Cross (sponosr)

True Talent Art

With the wide selection of art classes available to students, one of the more popular classes was Art Appreciation. This class took a "hands-on" approach with interrelated activities. The students had a chance to experience the art of calligraphy and architectural drawing, and were assigned a research project on artists and their work. Advanced Placement Art History took a more in-depth look at artists of long ago and their creations while Art Foundations allowed students to grasp an understanding of different styles of art. Painting, drawing, and print making focused on expanding the basics learned in Art Foundations but also introduced new techniques. AP Studio Art allowed students to work on their personal portfolios which upon completion were oftentimes presented to university art professors for scholarships and entrance to art schools.

The Art Honor Society was a very active organization for those who excelled in this area. Requirements for membership were that students had to maintain at least a B average in all art courses, good scholarship in other disciplines, service, and good character. They started the year off with a candy sale, in which all art classes participated. Many of the members pulled together their talents and created a sand sculpture in the Neptune Festival Sandcastle Classic competition. The theme was "Red, White, Hot, and Blue," so the students agreed to design a castle of King Neptune surrounded by hot chili peppers. The art students displayed their work while lending helping hands with the Neptune Festival Youth Art Show, Gallery '97, and the Pembroke Secondary Youth Art Show. For a service project, the members painted a mural on one of the walls in the cafeteria to display their spirit and artistic talents. The Art Honor Society also sponsored the third annual Art Auction at the Hilton Festival Center. It was a huge success and it raised money for school-wide projects related to the arts.

Most art students agreed that the many projects they worked on in class, especially on the pottery wheel or simple pencil drawings, could be related to the things they enjoyed outside of class. Even if in an abstract way, art classes provided students with an outlet to express themselves in a positive and rewarding way. The classes and their related honor societies were just an extension of what some students loved the most: perfection and self-satisfaction in the visual arts.

While squirting paint into the palette, Reggie Noble, chats with his classmates. It was always vital to select the proper colors needed for the currently assigned project and to understand the mixing of colors so that the right shades and effects were produced.

With concentration and the ability to be exact, Angela Thompson works on her stained glass window hanging. Angela had perfected the necessary skill required for keeping a steady hand when using the solder with metal, and glass.

With concentrated effort and patience, Danny Buttsavage perfects his watercolor project. Art students had to take their time when using tints and shades in order to create realistic depth in their paintings.

Singin' Away

Chorus

Madrigal Singers FIRST ROW: Lisa Hatfield, Shannon Sullivan, Claire Estoesta, Amanda Frittelli, Priscilla Daniels, Traci Hunter, Anne Meredith SECOND ROW: Jenny Arsuaga, Melissa Provancher, Laura Reagan, Kurtis Clark, Aloysius Albritton, Stephanie House, Pamela Granger Denise Dreuitt THIRD ROW: Kristina Hill, Christine Marlowe, Dwayne Appleton, Keith Barrows, Adam Powell, Robert Hamm, Grey Glover, Lila Hammoudeh

Concert Choir FIRST ROW: Lisa tatfield, Shannon Sullivan, Claire Estoesta, Amanda Frittelli, Priscilla Daniels, Traci Hunter, Anne Meredith, Jessica Rider, Jenny Arsuaga, Denise Dreuitt, Melissa Provancher, Laura Reagan, Stephanie House, Pamela Granger, Dalia Gonzalez, Courtney Bruce SECOND ROW: Miranda Taysom , Christie Johnson, Heather Ross, Starnisha Jackson, Kristina Hill, Christine Marlowe, Lila Hammoudeh, Christian Harrison, Becky Waterfield, Angela Davis

Mixed Chorus FIRST ROW: Erica Britt, Shinako Hirato, Cynthia Turner, Savonda Quarles SECOND ROW: Tiffany. Rouse, Joanne. Chen, Angie. Wilson, Latoya Wright, Josie Williams-Britton THIRD ROW: Kurtis Clark, Antione Wilson, Mario Rogers

The 1996 spring production of "Big River" by the showchoir was performed in Toronto, Canada and then again in June for the annual spring concert. Carrie Prass commented, "Working on the music and then the choreography to this medley was difficult but brought all the showchoir members closer together. Those were the times we'll never forget all our lives!" Rehearsal were held several times at the Dance, Etc. studio with choreographer, Ann Harrell who had created the routines for the showchoir since 1989.

From Mozart's "Te Deum" in October to the showchoir production of Leonard Bernstein's West Side Story at Disney World in April, the choral department enjoyed a variety of musica styles and experiences. The fall concert featured classical and sacred selections which were accompanied by the chamber orchestra. "Babes in Toyland" was the combined efforts of the entire performing arts department students for the December production. A matinee of "Babes" allowed Trantwood students to take a morning off from classes and enjoy the fun of watching good triumph over evil. Several students auditioned for and were selected to the All-District II choirs held at Ocean Lakes High School in February. In March, the winter concert included selections from musicals, movie themes, sacred, classical, and the renaissance periods.

During the months of March and April, the showchoir memorized music and practiced many long hours on the choreography for their competition piece: "West Side Story" The long journey to Disney World April 23-28 proved to be worth all the hard work and effort as well as all the fun experienced. The Madrigals, Concert Choir, and Showchoir submitted audition tapes for the coveted performing spots within the Disney World parks during the week of competition. They performed in Magic Kingdom on the Dock Stage at separate times on Sunday, April 27.

The June concert was a production of rock and roll songs from early rock to the present. Selected students auditioned for and were chosen for solo spots which also included duets, trios, and small ensemble numbers. The students enjoyed the culmination of the experiences, friendships made and the joining of efforts fo the last time before the long, hot summer days began.

Smiling for the photographer, the showchoir is very happy with their performance of the "Big River" medley. Spring competition required many after school hours, but was the highlight of the year.

Participants in the Fiesta-Val Showchoir Competition in Toronto, Canada during May 1996 were:
FIRST ROW: Antione Wilson, Amanda Frittelli
SECOND ROW: Kristen Banek, Shannon Sullivan, Devonah Bodenstein, Tatiana Oliveira, Pam Granger, Carrie Prass, Jenny Arsuaga
THIRD ROW: Wendy Bone, Director; Dawn Bodenstein, Keith Barrows, Adam Powell, Nichole Smith, Lila Hammougeh
FOURTH ROW: Anne Meredith, Mario Rogers, Bonnie Crocker, Melanie House, Claire Estoesta

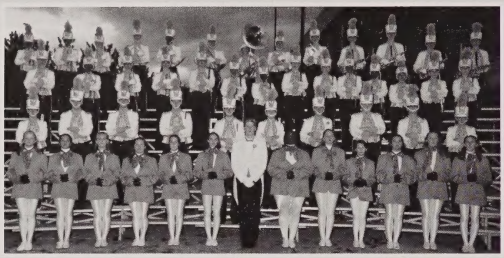
During a men's after school sectional for the Mozart "Te Deum", Grey Glover gives the "high" sign to Dwayne Appleton, Antione Wilson, and Adam Powell. Rehearsals sometimes lasted til 3:30 or 4:00, but were very productive times.

Learning their notes and rhythm, the sopranos follow the music very closely. Concentration and listening skills were developed in class on a daily basis.

Music in Motion

Band

Drum Line FIRST ROW: R.J. Murry, J.J. Garfolo, Connie Toone, Justin Wakeman, Ben Matchett, Eric Greaves (Captain), Brad Shepard, Jordan Anthony, Tim Broscious (Co-Captain), Brad MaCloud



Marching Patriots FIRST ROW: Dolina Smith, Alana Scott, Sarah Otto, Daphine Peters, Bella Willis, Jackie Burnett, Adam Lebsack, Latoya Wright, Laurie Kimball, Jennifer Martin, Elizabeth Martin, Siobhan Toone, Christina Schiller SECOND ROW: Jordan Anthony, Tim Broscious, Brad McCleod, Brad Sheperd, Eric Greaves, Ben Matchett, Justin Wakemen, Connie Toone, J.J. Garfolo, R.J. Murray THIRD ROW: Adam Bouling, Anthony David, Greg Fritz, Kiera broun, Cynthia Murphy, Katie Kirby, Pheadra Wilkins FOURTH ROW: Reggie Wilson, Jenny Thomas, J.P. Hebert, Tavis Simmons, Jason Miller, Brooke Kelly, Stacy Chartan, Matt Davis, Jessica Noone, Andy Parks, Steve Podurski

Color Guard FIRST ROW: Alana Scott, Jennifer Martin, Christina Schiller, Beca Willis, Daphine Peters SECOND ROW: Laurie Kimball,Shabian Toone, Sara Otto, Jackie Burnett, Latoya Wright, Elizabeth Martin, Dolina Smith

Musically inclined students spent a bell each day learning how to play various instruments. There were an assorted selection of band related classes ranging from Advanced Band to Percussion. For some band students, the dedication didn't end when they left the classroom. Many of the students who took band classes were also involved in the marching band.

The music performed by the award winning Marching Patriots at Friday night football games always pleased the ears of parents teachers, and students during halftime. The sound of thumping was recognized as the drum line providing a beat, then an explosion of sound was heard as the band began to play. The band used their musical talent to help students get riled up during pep rallies throughout the year.

Students who participated in band put forth a lot of time and effort in order to perfect their sound and formations. With the help and guidance of new band director, Doug Armstrong, each musician was able to improve greatly. Mr. Armstrong always instructed the students to "just enjoy the music you play". In the fall, the band traveled up and down the coast displaying their talent to judges in various competitions. With ease and smoothness, the band, color guard, and drum line managed to come home with many first and second place awards.

The band also played private concerts for teachers, students, and all others who wanted to enjoy the music. With after school practices and endless rehearsals, the members of the band were certainly no strangers to committment and time sacrifice. Pushing themselves to be the best resulted in their impressive talent.

Aside from gaining talent as musicians, the band students formed lasting friendships. Because of the long periods of time that they spent together, band members created a sense of camaraderie that assisted them in many ways. They learned to work well together developing a strong sense of teamwork, which Mr. Armstrong always stressed. Justin Wakeman commented, "I made a lot of new friends this year in band."

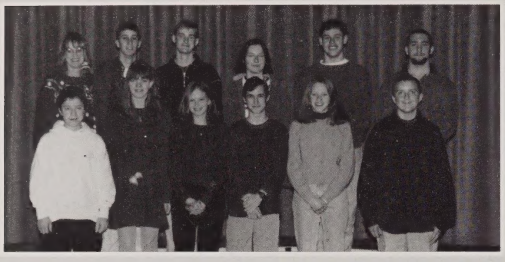
Preparing for a halftime performance, the drum line assembles on the track. These fine percussionists of the Marching Patriots drum line won many prestigious awards at every competition they attended.

During the fall pep rally, the marching band takes to the field to perform for the students. At each pep rally, the band provided added entertainment and helped raise student's spirit.

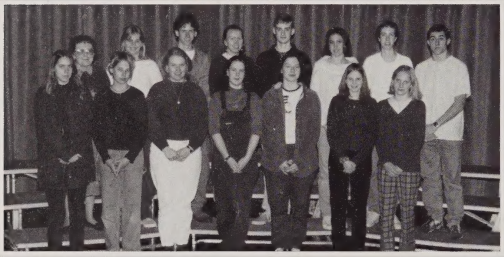
ined up on 18th street at the beach, the Marching Patriots raise their instuments o begin playing in the Neptune Festival Parade. The band participated in the arade along with many other local high school bands.

A Talented Bunch Gifted

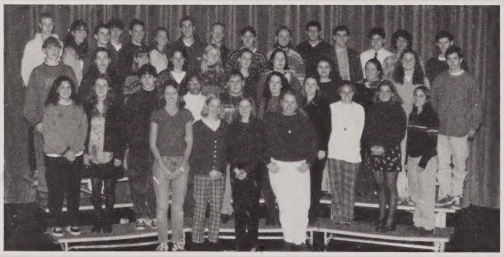
Odyssey of the Mind FIRST ROW: Amanda Whitlock, Bryan Grulke. SECOND ROW: Scott Chapman, Tim Sutts. THIRD ROW: Pam Granger, Rob Seely, Mrs. Stone.



It's Academic FIRST ROW: Frankie Castora, Margaret Hughes, Hollis Rifkin, Benjamin Herson, Bonnie Manaskie, Matt Bowling. SECOND ROW: Mrs. Haring, Jarett Fischer, Marcus Eure, Sarah Lynch-Walker, Scott Moore, Erik Grossgold.



Gifted Advisory Board FIRST ROW: Amanda Stevens, Amanda Whitlock, Elly Park, Jennifer Loane, Sarah Lynch-Walker, Hollis Rifkin, Jeanette Ortt. SECOND ROW: Juanita Felton, Pam Granger, Wes Goswick, Marcus Eure, Meghan Kaminski, Bryan Grulke, Jason Fedida



National Honor Society FIRST ROW: Kit Johnson, Jeanette Ortt, Hollis Rifkin, Elly Park.SECOND ROW: Meghan Bishop, Mindy Laster, Jason Bernd, Lacy Mitchell, Sean Rubbo, Jennifer Loane, Heather Swinetek, Helena Machaj, Elizabeth Coker, Kirsten Konich. THIRD ROW: Chris Foster, Stephanie Strattman, Melissa Stevens, Kelly Hudgens, Gayle Holloway, Brianne Buchannen, Sara Lynch-Walker, Antigoone Georgiou, Jessica Holmes, Hope Breckenridge, Jeffery Bernd. FOURTH ROW: Ryan Borocco, Elizabeth Feltes, Steve Tyler, Drew Gilmer, Rob O'Donnell, Laine Brammer, Andy Jaeckle, Domonik Reichenmuller, Ti Henry, Russell McConnell, Luca Paoletti, Adam Morrisette, Wayne Howlett, Paul Smartchan, Dan Weinberg.

An assortment of clubs were made available to students who excelled in certain areas. These clubs allowed students to share and use their talents productively.

The National Honor Society selected members who had high academic standards, participated in other school and community activities, and were strongly recommended by teachers. With this group of students the National Honor Society accomplished a great deal. The new sponsor, Juanita Felton, led the fifty members who met in the schola on the second Monday of every month. They organized a canned food drive, a book drive, a blood drive, carnation sales, stationary sales, the "Big Chill", and free tutoring. The officers were Kit Johnson (President), Jeannette Ortt (V.P.), Elly Parks (Secretary), and Hollis Rifkin (Treasurer). Meghan Bishop commented, "The Honor Society is a lot of work, but it's also a lot of fun."

The Governor's School for the Arts was a program in which especially talented students traveled to Norfolk every day attending class from 1:00 to 4:00. Students were selected for the visual arts, performing arts, theater, dance, and music. The visual arts students got an opportunity to work in almost every medium, from computer imaging to ceramic sculpture. The performing arts program provided training for students gifted in both singing, dance, and music while the theater program focused on acting, design, and production.

Odyssey of the Mind was a problem-solving club sponsored by Mrs. Paula Stone. Meetings were held on Mondays, from 2:00 to 3:30. These students enjoyed using in-depth thinking to solve assorted problems. At the regional Odyssey of the Mind meeting on March fifteenth the selected problem was: "Classics...Can you dig it?".

Mrs. Haring sponsored the It's Academic club. Students involved had to have a great deal of knowledge in a large amount of areas. This organization competed in intradistrict meets from November to February with the district championship meet held in late February.

During an It's Academic meet, Danny Dill and Jarett Fischer buzz in to answer the question. Quick minds as well as quick hands were required for buzzing in a correct answer before the opposing team had a chance.

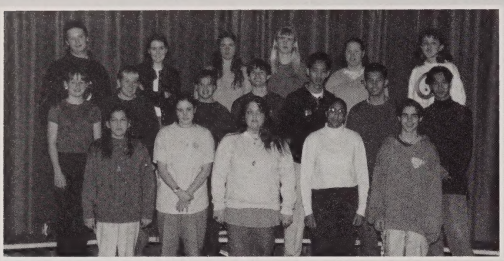
Cuddling with some of their personal favorites, Frank Castora, Brett Young, and ason Fedida pose with the Toys for Tots bounty. The Gifted Advisory Board nded up with a plethora of toys to give away during the Christmas season.

Governor's School FIRST ROW: Elizabeth Blkchman, Kara Large, Laura Satterwhite, Misty Boykin, Lindsay Smith. SECOND ROW: Amanda Whitlock, Orion Sides, Kristen Leonard, Megan Morrison, Melanie House, Kenny Dunbar.

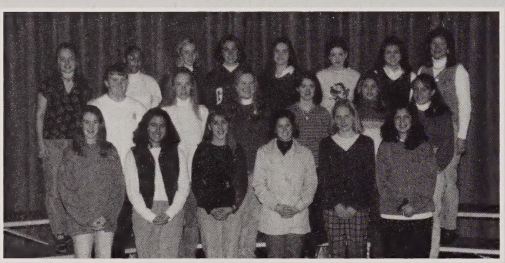
Helping Hands

Service Clubs

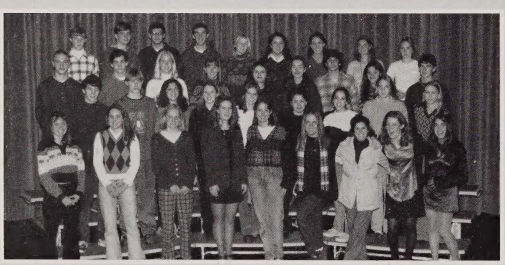
Interact Club FIRST ROW: Marcie Harris, Tonia Diaz, Siobhan Toone, Katie Kirby, Connie Toone



SADD Club FIRST ROW: Debbie Mallison, Lisa Hatfield, Cassandra May, Lacy Mitchell, Steven Saunders SECOND ROW: Elaine Rupp, Erin Meredith, Margie Blaudon, David Hanson, Marhlon Salvador, Gene Villena, Joseph Tabanan THIRD ROW: Jeremy Husein, Kelly Cobb, Kerri Summs, Ronnie Mills, Kristen James, Liz Biggin



Happy Club FIRST ROW: Christina Schiller, Melissa Kornblau, Stacy Smith, Elizabeth Batdorf, Jeannette Ortt, Meghan Bishop SECOND ROW: Connie Toone, Katie Kirby, Siobhan Toone, Dareth Trice, Mary Giunta, Catalina Lopez THIRD ROW: Candi Meredith, Lacy Mitchell, Kristen Eitel, Morgan Snodgrass, Sarah Young, Heather Thomas, Heather Kaas, Mary Wales



Key Club FIRST ROW: Julie Larned, Erin Miller, Jeannette Ortt, Brianne Buchanan, Kelly Hudgens, Jessica Holmes, Elizabeth Batdorf, Mindy Laster, Lena Kruth SECOND ROW: Jason Bernd, Chris Foster, Meghan Blshop, Heather Swientek, Adriane Wagner, Francis Katogieitis, Josephine Eballar, Melanie Crisp, Elizabeth Ashley THIRD ROW: Dominik Reichenmiller, Jeffrey Bernd, Paige Townsend, Melissa Stevens, Antigone Georgiou, Stephanie Strattman, Paul Smartschan, Nicole DeChirico, Michael Brady FOURTH ROW: Rip Gordon, Pat Lonning, Luca Paoletti, Andy Jaeckle, Gayle Holloway, Sarah Faucette, Kit Johnson, Laine Brammer, Kristen Inglis

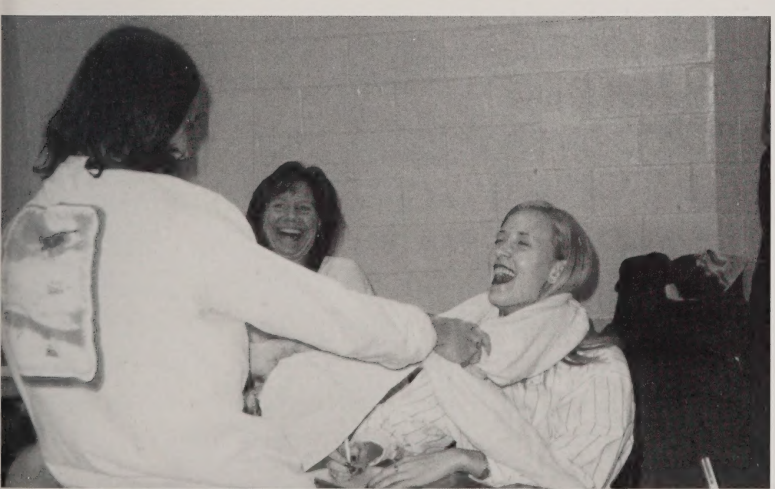
The Key Club was an important community service organization in which members helped sponsor a blood drive and participated in the Hampton Roads Walk for AIDS in October. They provided groceries for needy families during the Christmas holidays and helped out at a local soup kitchen. Some members attended a convention with other Key Club participants throughout the state. This year's officers were Mindy Laster (pres.), Brianne Buchanan and Jessica Holmes (VP), Kelly Hudgens (sec.), Tricia James (tres.), and Elizabeth Batdorf (hist.). The sole purpose of the Key Club was to provide assistance to other people.

Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) and Just Say No were designed to promote a safe drug-free school environment and to educate students on the harmful effects of drug and alcohol use. Officers for this year included Cassandra May (pres.), Allison Mitchell (VP), Melissa Irving (sec.), and Christina Hardcastle (tres.). They were involved in Red Ribbon Week, Great American Smokeout, and Safe Holidays. Some members attended the Youth Alcohol Durg Abuse Prevention Project regional and state promises. Their largest project of the year was Prom Promise. To promote Prom Promise the club had a mock car crash, crash test dummies, the grim reaper, and assemblies. Prom Promise was a signed agreement that students would stay drug free and alcohol free on prom night.

The Happy Club served the community and project Operation Smile. The club successfully organized a fashion show and garage sale to benefit Operation Smile. Members frequently volunteered at Alanton Elementary School and the Operation Smile Office. They were led by Melissa Kornblou (Pres.), Jeannette Ortt (Pres.), Amanda Smith (Hist.), Elizabeth Batdorf (Treas.), and Candi Meredith (Sec.). Operation Smile's goal was to "change lives, one smile at a time."

The Interact Club focused on community service. Their biggest project was participating in the Shamrock Marathon. The officers were Siobhan Toone (Pres.), Tanya Diaz (V. Pres.), Marcie Harris (Sec.), Katie Kirby (Treas.).

Trying to choose the perfect toys, Lara Miller, Chris Chappell, Heather Kaas, and Jeannette Ortt make their selections that most any child would enjoy on Christmas morning. The Happy Club participated in many activities that benefited children.

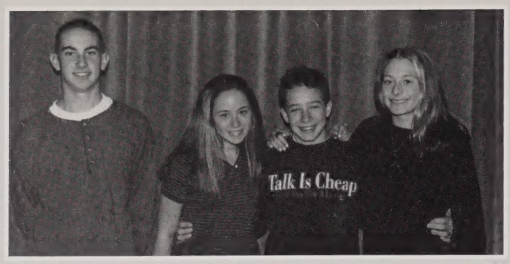


Showing off his moves to Ms. Hoppe, Josh Calhoun, tries out for the Happy Club fashion show. The Happy Club members successfully put on a fashion show, which benefited the children of Operation Smile.

While at Longwood college, Marhlon Salvador, Christina Hardcastle, Melissa Irving, Joseph Tabanan, and Mrs. Wimbush, enjoy themselves at the Youth Alcohol Drug Abuse Prevention Project. The SADD and Just Say No club participated in many events to help keep students away from drug and alcohol abuse.

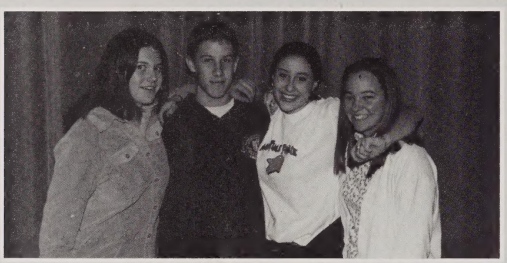
Keep it Together

Leadership

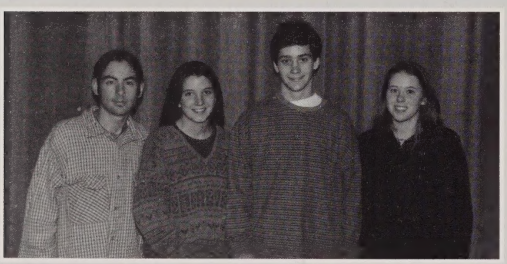


Freshman Class Officers FIRST ROW: Ryan O'Donnell (pres.), Amy Hammaker (sec.), Trey Highton (VP), Blair Eason (tres.)

Sophomore Class Officers FIRST ROW: Chris Hibbard (tres.) SECOND ROW: Ross Fickenscher (pres.), Time Lett (sec.), Jenny Steele (VP)



Junior Class Officers FiRST ROW: Tara Taubman (pres.), Kevin Coster (sec.), Holly Fort (tres.), Heather McKee (sec.)



Senior Class Officers FIRST ROW: John Gomez (pres.), Jenny Sutherland (VP), Jeff Bernd (sec.), Heather Sweintek (tres.)

The classes and the SCA, consisting of many student leaders, did an outstanding job planning exciting events, fund-raising projects, and most importantly, community service projects.

The class officers headed off this year making plans and decisions. The freshman class officers were elected in early September and had to work fast to form an Executive Council and create their float for Homecoming. Class members also began the long process of fund-raising.

The sophomore class began their year with the Homecoming float, plans for a ski trip,and several other activities. At the end of the year, they brought back the tradition of selling key chains as one of their fund-raisers. Working within the various activities, these students developed class unity and pride.

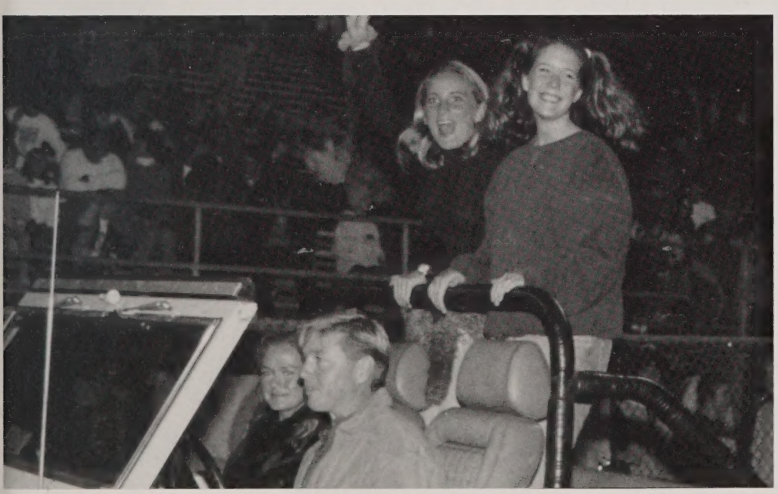
The very first fund-raiser for the junior class began in September by selling locker shelves to as many students in school as possible. Computer Fun surveys were filled out by those students who were interested. But the two big projects which required the most planning were Mr. FC and Ring Dance. A great deal of money had to be earned to set up the Junior Prom, one of the most exciting events for juniors every year.

A tailgate party, Senior Cruise, and Senior Prom made for an exciting year full of memories for members of the senior class. Seniors were always found looking for ideas on which to build unity and spend time together. They knew they were the "Best of What's Around" and by the end of the year, the memories they had because of the wonderful student leaders were the best.

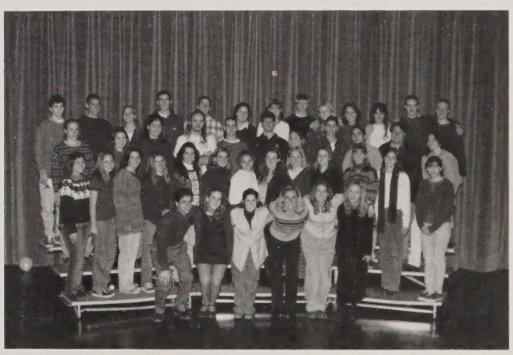
With every student as a member, the task of unification was very difficult and produced a busy year for the SCA. It was up to the SCA to put together pep rallies, plan Homecoming and Spirit Week, and hold leadership workshops. With hard work and a willingness to serve by many the activities proved to be successful.

All five organizations learned the value of listening, caring about ideas and opinions, and specifically, the importance of helping othe people. These skills were mostly acquired at Leadership Workshop over summer attributed to building a proud school enviornment.

After putting the finishing touches on the float, members of the freshman class and neighbor James Cummings pose for a quick picture before heading off to the game. The freshmen used Kate Gordons house to create their masterpiece of spirit and pride.

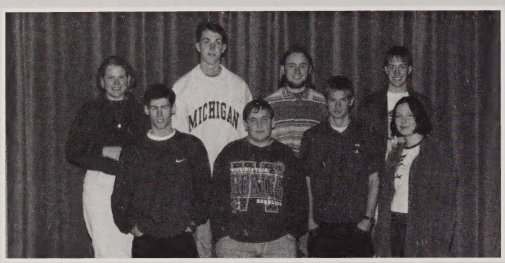


Showing that Patriot Pride and their love of riding around in the back of big trucks, Katie Brett and Brianne Buchannan say hello to the students. Pig tails and painted faces were not uncommon at the Homecoming football game.

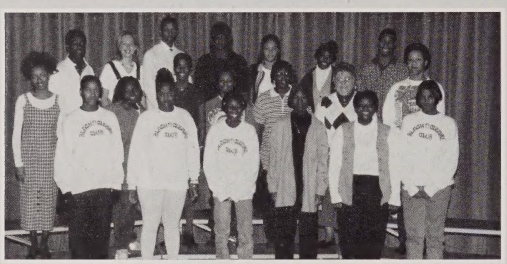


The SCA executive council poses with sponsors Mr. Frasier and Miss. Hoppe. The officers were Laine Brammer (pres.), Elizabeth Batdor (VP), Katie Brett (sec.), and Brianne Buchanan (tres.).

CRIME SOLVERS FIRST ROW: Marhlon Salvador, Cassie May SECOND ROW: Kerry Summs, Ronnie Mills, Krista Dinkler



UNDERGROUND PEP CLUB: FIRST ROW: Dan Weinberg, Sean Rubbo, Jake Giles, Sarah Lynch-Walker SECOND ROW: Elly Park, Andy Hucks, Russell McConnell, Mike Marshall



BCC FIRST ROW:: Leticia Cooper, Alanette White, Trameka Smalls, Kim Gregory, Priscilla Daniels, Elisha Washington SECOND: Nicole Smith, Lourie Johnson, Natalia Wilson, Andrianna Smith, Casandra Ward, Mrs. Schneider, Mrs. Perry TID: Aloysius Albritton, Ashley Chadwell, Nathan Land, Shanavain Felton, Ticia Stubbs, Shevon Hill, Elvis Smith

For One Another

Human Interest

A common element that bound students of all shapes, colors, and backgrounds together was the attempt to improve the quality of life for all within the school and the community. Whether solving crimes, showing support by cheering on sports teams, singing love songs on Valentines Day, or informing others about different cultures, these students desired to make their school and community a better place.

Crime Solvers was an organization with the soul purpose: of making the school environment a safer and better place to be Welcoming anyone interested in solving crimes, Crime Solvers members held meetings and encouraged their classmates to report incidents to "the box" in the office. All reports remained anonymous and those who helped solve the specific crimes were rewarded up to $100. Sponsor Mrs. Wimbush enthusiastically commented, 'Stop school crime and call 427-0000 every time." A board could be found by the cafeteria showing students the Crimesolver's Crime of the Week.

With painted faces, banners, cow bells, blue and yellow clothing, and school spirit that could energize any team, the Underground Pep Club cheered on the football team. The familiar cheers of the UPC could always be heard from their special place in the football stadium. Rain or shine, home or away, the UPC never missed a chance to cheer on their fellow athletes.

Members of the Black Culture Club had distinct purposes: to learn about the their ancestors' heritage, work with other students to ease tensions, and have a good time together. Among the many activities, the BCC sponsored the annual Faculty vs. Student Basketball Game, Valentine singing grams, and a talent show known as "A Night at the Apollo". The BCC was sponsored by Mrs. Perry and Mrs. Schneider.

With the purpose of others in mind, members of Crime Solvers, the Underground Pep Club, and the Black Culture Club worked hard and worked together to benefit all.

Showing off their expertise in music, Tavis Simmons and Elvis Smith practice at a Black Culture Club meeting. Tavis and Elvis were devoted members of the BCC and could often be found playing their instruments at their meetings or activities.

Members of the UPC show their enthusiasm and school spirit during the Homecoming football game. Their familiar faces were always seen at the home and away football games.

Crime Solvers uses this bulletin board to display information about crimes hoping someone can assist them in solving it. The Crime of the Week could always be found inside the blue border.

Community FaCes

The production of a yearbook not only required gathering information, writing stories, and identifying pictures, but one of the first activities for staff members was selling ads. Staffers learned how to properly present themselves to the business community, to communicate effectively, and to solicit their support in a responsible business manner. While book sales paid the printers contract, operating expenses had to be met through the sale of ad space in the book. Those expenses included various materials used throughout the year, computer supplies, and maintenance and upgrade of computer programs.

The business community and many parents through the purchase of senior messages again showed their invaluable support for the Patriots thus contributing to the production of another fine yearbook. Every year this characteristic has been extremely appreciated by all the Patriots. Thank you, one and all, for your continued support.

Facial Expressions

"There's more to selling ads than merely collecting a receipt." -Lauren Polino, sophomore
"Selling ads is hard work. I practiced my speech each time before approaching the manager of a business, and found them to be very cordial and polite." -Melissa Stevens, senior

Sorting the numerous advertisements, Lauren Polino, the business manager, effectively organizes all the art work for the upcoming deadline. Lauren's job duties included designing the ad pages on the computer, communicating with parents and businesses, and keeping a list of which ads were sold by each staff member and if art work had been received.

The community pitches in by helping dig a much needed trench which will contain electrical wires for the softball field to be lit. Parents were a valuable resource contributing their time and energy to lend a hand whenever duty called.

The manager of the Jock Shop watches as Danny Chung, a newcomer to the yearbook family, sells him an ad. Because of its close proximity to the school, the Jock Shop has purchased many ads in the Heritage over the years.

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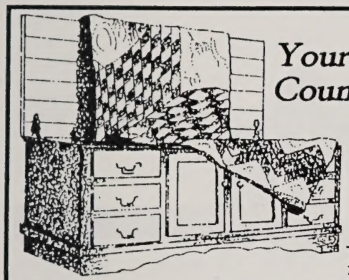

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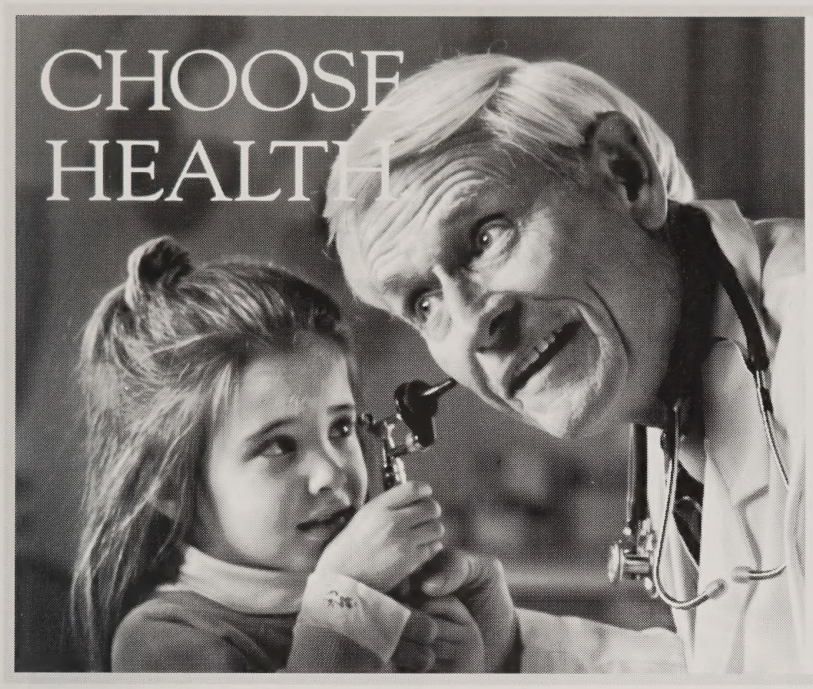

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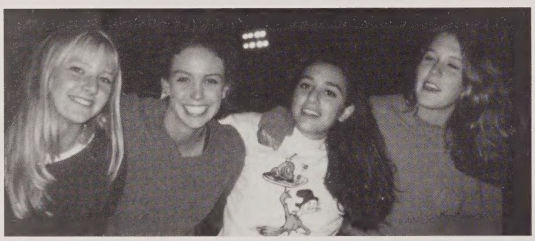

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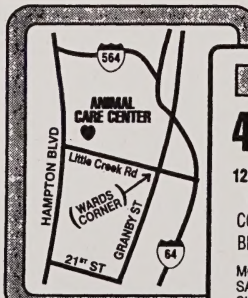

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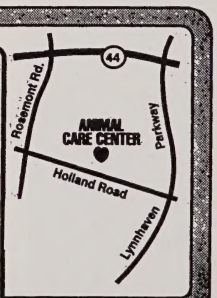

Michael,

You've grown to be everything I have hoped for in a son. Believe in yourself, I know you'll achieve all of your dreams.

Love,
Mom

Thank you Ryan for making our job as parents so easy. We couldn't have asked for a better son. We love you dearly.

Mom and Dad

Kevin,

We wish you, our "adopted" second son, a wonderful future!

Love,

The Jaeckles

Andy,

No parents could feel more love and pride. Thank you for being who you are!

Congratulations,
Mom and Dad

Kim,
I'd like you to know that on August 30, 1996 my life was changed. You swept me off my feet and I will never come down. You complete me.
Love Always,
Jeff

Aloha Adriane,

Mahalo mui loa for just being you. Congratulations on graduation!
Love,
Your family and friends Malia, Serena, Devon, and Anna

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Love,
Your Family

Daniel,

Congratulations on your graduation. We are so proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Pat, and Max

Wayne,

We are very proud of all your hard earned accomplishments! Enjoy your college years.

Love,
Your Family

Laine,

You have always made us proud. Congratulations and best of luck to you.

Love always,
Mom, David John, Julee, and Annie

Congratulations Betsy! Today is the start of a new adventure. Wishing you love, health, happiness, and the time to enjoy them.

Becky and Kimmy,

We wish you both much sucess, lots of love, and all the happinesss the world has to offer.

Mom, and Dad, and Shannon

John Gomez,

Congratulations! Remember that if your'e not the lead dog, the scenery never changes.

Love,
Mom, and Dad

Brandon,

The wise son brings joy to his father. You have brought us much joy. We are proud of you for choosing the road less traveled.

Love,
Mom and Dad

We wish the Class of '97 the very best of life! Thank you for enriching Keyen's life.
Congratulations

Rachelle,

Best Wishes for sucess and happiness. We're proud of you. Congratulations!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Angela

Adam,

We're very proud of you and wish you all the best.

Love,
Mom, Dad
Elizabeth, and Patrick

KIt, Kit Kat, Skittles, Kittle Bug,

We're proud of your sucess and wish you the very best as you go to William and Mary!
Love,
Mom, Daddy, and Kevin

Alija,

Congratulations! You've worked hard and we are proud of you. You have all our love and best wishes for the future.

Love,
Mom, and Dad

Mellisa,

Congratulation! Missy Leigh! We are very proud of you. Good luck next year.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Todd, and Jill

Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
Congratulations Trishy,
We all love you!
Love,
Entbray, Mom, Robert, Tom, Krissy, Mike, Brittany, Jennifer, and Honey

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Mindy,

We're so proud of your accomplishments the last four years. May the next four be as rewarding.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Twink,

Billiards, the moon, January 11, Dr. Faustus, Kings Dominion, Stanley, Wl Azteca, North Carolina, Khanzi. I love you.

Monkey

Jessi,

You are a joy and a great blessing to us. May life return a ten-fold to you.

Love,
Mom and Dad

"And the Academy Award for Best Director goes to... Nathan Gwaltney!" Go make your dreams come true.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Channing,

Congratulations! We love you.

Mom, Dad, and Robbie

Congrats Sarah! May your light continue to shine brightly. Wishing you joy.

Love you,
Mom

Kimbo,

Believe it or not your 17 (almost 20) years have flown by. Time sor the beautiful bird to fly the nest.

Love always,
Mom, Dad, and Frankie

Marci,

Congratulations! You've been our only and n ow you're stepping our. We love you and we're proud of you.

Dad, Mom, and Derick

Matt,

Congratulations! We are so proud of you. Carry with you our love and prayers as you follow your dreams.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Laurie, and Stephanie

Way to go "Flush"!

Love,
Mom

Lyndsay,

You are proof that little sisters turn out pretty good!

We love you,
Matt and Brian

Helena,

Congratulations, we are so proud of you. We wish you the best of luck!

With Love,
Mom, Dad, Matt, Christine, Laura, and David

Kelly,

We are all very proud of the great job you've done with your personal, your family, your academic, and your religious life. Keep your focus on the future, your goals in sight, and never forget how much you mean to us all.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Scott

Dear Paul,

We hope you have a future filled with "great hair" days and that you finally find the "perfect" party. Just remember to flash those dimples. You can do it all!

Lots of love and good luck wishes,
Mom and Dad

Lyndsay,

How can it be? Last time I looked you were only three!

Love to you always,
Mom

Kimberly,

Congratulations on graduation! Good luck at JMU! We love you, funny face!

Love,
Grandma and Grandpa

Congratulations and best of luck to the Class of 1997, especially our daughter Elizabeth. We are so proud of you. Thanks for the memories.

Love,
The Batdorfs

Luca,

Congratulations for your great achievements!! Bravo!! And best wishes for your future- no luck needed, only hard work!!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Barbara

Parker,
We're so proud of your accomplishments, strengths, and character. We'll miss your funny face.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Clay, and Beth

Addie,

"Oh the places you will go." We are so proud of you.
FWC.

We love you!!
Mom and Dad

Jenny,

I am so proud of you. You are a special daughter and friend.

Love,
Dad

Go Elon!

Gay,

After nine years, we've managed to stick it out. I hold all our memories close to my heart.

Love,
Twisha

To Sara,

In the future you'll find great success on the broadway stage. Break a leg!!!

Love,
Mom and Dad

Elizabeth,

Be true to yourself and reach for the stars. We're so proud. We love you.

Mom and Dad

Julie Brett,

Congratulations. We're so proud of you and know you'll have a great time at college.

With love,
Mom, Dad, Edward, and Steven

Kelly Anne,
Southern hospitality at its best. Don't forget walking into fishing line, staring at stars, and all our special "breaks."
You're awesome.
Love,
Babette

Adam,

Thank you for making us proud and for making us laugh. Good luck at William and Mary and keep standing inside the fire.
Love,
Mom and Dad

My Sarah Katherine,

Pride. Character. Unconditional love. Kindness. Heart. Friends. Adversity. These words define you...and my pride in who you're becoming.
Love,
Big Daddy

Chris,

Hurry up and graduate so we can start living it up on your phat pay check.

Love,
Mom and Dad

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Baie liefde,
Pappa en Mamma

Robbie,

It's been a kick . . . we're so proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Ryan, and Scott

Juliette,
Keep the faith, walk the walk, and may all your magical dreams come true. We are proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Gabriel, Kimberly, Marielle

Congratulations Kelly! We are so proud of you. May God direct your path.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Kory/Bill, Kim/Ken, and Kevin

Congratulations Class of 1997. Drew, we are proud of you and wish you the best life offers.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Thad

Shaggy,

Congratulations on your accomplishments. Best wishes for the future. We are very proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Keith

Hey Jessica Holmes,

You came early, you worked late, we're proud to see you graduate.

Love ya,
Mom, Dad, Et-al

To our Meghan Bishop,

You're the best. Congratulations to our #1 daughter. We're proud of you.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Bean,

Live your dreams, your future awaits, cherish all the moments as we have cherished you.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Carrie,

Congratulations and may all your dreams come true.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Casey

Kadee,

We are so proud of you! "Look out world! Here she comes!"

Love,
Mom, Dad, Amanda, Ellen, "Casey", Grandmas

Kristyn,

May all your dreams for the future turn into reality and may you finally find where all the cowboys have gone.
Love,
Mom

We love our little bunny who is going to design great homes! Best wishes and good luck.

DD and MM

Thad,

For being who you are . . . all our love and respect. God bless.

Love,
Mom and Dad

To Lolly,

Success is generous love for yourself and others. Congratulations on achieving the greatest success of all.
Love,
Mom and Dad

Dear Jarrett,

Congratulations!! Remember, life is full of endless possibilities and limitless choices. Our love and support are with you always!
Love,
Mom and Dad

Juliette,

We are very proud of our precious "jewel" and love you dearly. God bless your kind and loving heart.

Love ya,
Granny and Paka

Keynen Almer: V. Football 10, 11, 12 (captain); SCA 9, 10; Soph. Class (treas); Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12
Stiles Anderson: Literary Arts Magazine 12, Foreign Language Club 9
Patrick Arline: SCA 12 (exec. council); Spanish Club 11, 12 (VP); Science Club 11
Juliette Barnes: Madrigals 9, 10; Jun. Class (exec. council); SCA 12 (exec. council); DECA 12
Elizabeth Batdorf: JV Field Hockey 9, 10; V. Field Hockey 11, 12; JV Soccer 9, 10 (captain); Indoor Track 11; Swim Team 10; Theatre 11; SCA 12 (VP); Pep Club 12; Soccer Club 11, 12; SADD 10, 11; Spanish Club 10, 11 (treas.), 12; Latin Club 9; Key Club 10, 11, 12 (hist); Happy Club 10, 11, 12 (treas)
Gina Beacham: JV Cheerleading 9, 10
Jason Bernd: V. Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12 (co-captain); NHS 11, 12: Boys' State 11; Spanish Honor Society 10, 11, 12; Chemistry Honor Society 11, 12; Key Club 11, 12; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Fresh. Class; Soph Class; Jun. Class; Sen. Class
Jeffrey Bernd: V. Wrestling 9, 10, 11 (captain), 12 (captain) Sen. Class (Sec.); Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12; SCA 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Chemistry Honor Society 10, 11, 12: Spanish Honor Society 10, 11, 12; Key Club 11, 12; Spanish Club, 9, 10, 11, 12; Boys' State 11
Meghan Bishop: NHS 11, 12 (exec. council); Art Honor Society 10, 11, 12 (VP); Happy Club 10, 11, 12; Key Club 11, 12
Josh Boone: Film Club 11, 12
Melissa Bradley: FHA 9; FEA 9; FBLA 9, 10, 11, 12; AWARE 10
Laine Brammer: SCA 10, 11, 12 (pres); Jun. Class (pres); Soph. Class (pres); NHS 11, 12; Key Club 10, 11, 12; JV Field Hockey 9, 10; School Planning Council 12
Hope Breckenridge: V. Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12; V. Basketball 9, 11, 12; V. Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Sen. Class
Brianne Buchanan: JV Field Hockey 9, 10; NHS 11, 12; Key Club 10, 11 (pres), 12 (2nd VP); Jun. Class (treas); SCA 12 (treas)
Adam Burke: V. Volleyball 11, 12; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11; Environmental Club 9, 10; Key Club 12
Jeff Butler: V. Baseball 10, 11, 12; Spanish Club 9
Kimberly Castora: JV Softball 9, 10 (captain); V. Softball 10, 11 (captain), 12 (captain); Yearbook 12 (co-editor); NHS 11, 12 (exec. council); French Honor Society 11, 12 (VP); Fresh. Class (sec)
Elizabeth Coker: V. Cheerleading 10, 11, 12 (captain); Forensics 11, 12 (captain); SCA 9, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Gymnastics 9, 10, 11; Theatre 12
Tonia Diaz: FBLA 12; Interact Club 11 (treas), 12 (VP); Aware 11, 12 (pres); Happy Club 11, DECA 12, Art Honor Society 12, Film Club 12
Claire Estoesta: Madrigals 9, 10, 11, (sec/treas), 12 (pres); Literary Arts Magazine 11, 12; Council of Presidents 12; Environmental Club 9, 10
Matt Farrington: V. Wrestling 11, 12
Sarah Faucette: SCA 9, 10, 11, 12 ; Fresh. Class; Soph. Class; Jun. Class (exec. council); Happy Club 9, 10; Key Club 9, 10, 11 (VP), 12; Girls State 11
Elizabeth Feltes: SCA 9, 10, 11 (VP), 12: Newspaper 10, 11; Volleyball 9; Basketball 9, 10; French Honor Society 10, 11, 12 (pres.); NHS 11, 12; Athletic Trainer 9, 10, 11, 12 (captain); Student Leadership Forum 12; Spanish Club 11, 12; Theater 11, 12; Chorus 10, 11, 12; Yearbook 11
Wes Goswick: Orchestra 9; Theater 10, 11; Thespian 10, 11, 12; SADD 11 (sec), 12; Gifted Advisory Board 11, 12 (exec. council); Yearbook 10, 11 (business manager), 12 (co-editor)
Wayne Howlett: JV Football 9; NHS 11, 12; Spanish Honor Society 10, 11, 12; Spanish Club 11, 12 (pres); Environmental Club 11

Jarrett Fischer: V. Tennis 10, 11, 12; SCA 9, 10, 11, 12; It's Academic 9, 10, 11, 12 (captain); Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Environmental Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Science Club 12; Fresh. Class; Soph. Class; Jun. Class; Sen. Class
Johanna Fontenot: DECA 12; FBLA 12
Chris Foster: JV Basketball 10 (captain); V. Basketball 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Latin Club 9, 10, 11, 12 (VP); Key Club 12; Boys' State 11
Daniel Fries: JV Soccer 9, 10 (capt); V. Soccer 10, 11, 12; Fresh. Senate; Model Judiciary 12
Jennifer Gellasch: Dance Team 12 (captain); National Art Honor Society 12 (treas); Student Leadership Forum 12
Antigone Georgiou: Patriot Players 10, 11, 12; Latin Club 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Key Club 11, 12
Dalia Gonzalez: NJROTC 9, 10 (Drill Team); Track 9, 10, 11, 12 11, 12 (VP); It's Academic 9, 11
Eric Greaves: JV Soccer 9, 10; V. Soccer 10; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12 (Drumline Captain)
Channing Green: Spanish Club 10, 11; Dance Team 11; Spanish Honor Society 11, 12; Student Leadership Forum 12
Jamie Harris: V. Wrestling 11, 12 (co-captain)
Tyler Henry: JV Football 9, 10; V. Football 10, 11, 12; French Honor Society 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; SCA 9; Chemistry Honor Society 12
Ryan Hines: V. Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12 (captain)
Sarah Holliday: Environmental Club 9, 10; Literary Arts Magazine 10, 11, 12
Gayle Holloway: Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12 (captain); Track 9; JV Soccer 10; JV Basketball 9; V. Basketball 10, 11; Soph. Senate; Jun. Class; NHS 11, 12; SCA Key Club 11, 12
Andy Hucks: Indoor Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Trac 9, 10, 11; Cross Country 10; UPC 9, 10, 11, 12; Latin Club 10, 11
Melissa Irving: Key Club 10; Spanish Hono Society 10, 11; SADD 1 12 (sec.); Crime Solvers 11 (VP), 12 (treas.); NJROTC 11 (drill team, color gaurd, academic team), 12 (academic team commander)
Jason Jacobson: V. Volleyball 11, 12; SADI Club 10, 11; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Environmental Club 9
Kit Johnson: NHS (pres); SCA 9, 12 (exec. council); Drama Club 9 French Honor Society 12; Literary Arts Magazine 11
Melissa Kornblau: Ke Club 12; Happy Club 1 12 (pres)
Adam Lebsack: Marching Band 10, 11, 12 (captain, Drum Major); Symphonic Winds 10, 11, 12; Jazz Ensemble 10, 11, 12 (Al City)

Scott Levin: Key Club 0, 11: Spanish Club 0, 11; Student Leadership Forum 12
Patrick Lonning: Latin Club 9; JV Basketball 10; Tennis 9, 12; Spanish Club 11, 12 (treas); Key Club 12
Kathleen Lynch: Key Club 11, 12; Happy Club 11, 12; FBLA 11 (sec.), 12 (pres.); DECA 12; Council of Presidents 12; Leadership Committee 12
Sarah Lynch-Walker: GazeTte 10, 11, 12; Gifted Advisory Board 10, 11, 12; FBLA 9, 10, 12; NHS 11, 12; Marching Band 9; Environmental Club 9
Hunter Mach: SADD 10, 11; FBLA 10, 12; Forensics 10, 11, 12; NHS 12; Spanish Honor Society 10, 11
Helena Machaj: V. Field Hockey 10, 11, 12; V. Volleyball 9; JV Soccer 9, 10; V. Soccer 11, 12; JV Basketball 10; Yearbook 11; NHS 12; Spanish Honor Society 12; Junior Class (VP); SCA 11, 12 (exec. council)
Richard Mallison: NJROTC 9, 10, 11, 12; FHA 12
Christine Marlowe: Advanced Chorus 9, 10, 11; Madrigals 12; Track 10; Yearbook 12
Breigh Marshall: Latin Club 9, 10; SADD 9, 10; Environmental Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Gifted Advisory Board 11, 12 (pres); FBLA 9, 11, 12; GazetTe 11, 12; PTSA 11, 12;
Andy Mathis: V. Football 10, 11, 12; Indoor Track 10
April Messina: DECA
Ronnie Mills: SCA 9, 10, 11, 12 (exec. council); SADD 10, 11 (VP), 12 (hist); Latin Club 10, 11, 12; JV Basketball 9, 10; Interact 10, 11; Recycling Club 9, 10, 11
Deana Minehan: Gymnastics 10, 11; JV Softball 10; Spanish Club; DECA
Dorman Miner: JV Football 9 (captain); V. Football 9, 10, 11, 12 (captain); JV Baseball 9, 10; V. Baseball 11, 12; Forensics 12 (captain)
Lacy Mitchell: JV Basketball 9; V. Basketball 12 (manager); JV Volleyball 9; SCA 9; NHS 11, 12; Newspaper 11,12; Happy Club 12; BCC 12; SADD 12
Adam Morrisette: NHS 12 (exec. council); JETS 11, 12; German Club 9, 10, 11 (sec), 12 (pres); Science Club 12; FBLA 11, Sophomore Senate; AWARE Club 9; Student Leadership Forum 12; Council of Presidents 12; Senior Class
Coltne Muldrow: V. Basketball 10; JV Basketball 10 (MVP); Chrome Club 10, 11; AWARE Club 10, 11; Track 12
Christie Nichols: JV Soccer 9, 10; V. Soccer 12; JV Basketball 9; V. Basketball 10, 11, 12; Track 10; Soph. Class (sec)
Carrie Niemann: JV Field Hockey 9, 10 (co-captain); V. Field Hockey 11, 12; JV Soccer 9; V. Soccer 11
Amanda Nobles: Key Club 10; Latin Club 9, 10, 11; Latin Honor Society 9, 10, 11; Chrome Club 9
Rob O'Donnell: V. Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12 (captain); V. Volleyball 11; V. Swimming 12 (captain) Boys' State 11; NHS 11, 12; JV Basketball 9
Jeannette Ortt: Art Honor Society 10, 11 (vice pres), 12 (pres.); NHS: 11, 12 (vice pes.); Happy Club 11, 12; SCA 12; JETS 11, 12; Gifted Advisory Board 12
Luca Paoletti: Spanish Club 9, 10 (hist), 11, (pres), 12; Spanish Honor Society 10, 11 (treas), 12, (pres); Key Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Environmental Club 9, 10; NHS 12; Young Republicans 9, 10; Sophomore Class; It's Academic 9
Electa Park: Environmental Club 10, 11 (co-pres); 12 (treas); GazetTe 11 (editor), 12; Gifted Advisory Board 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12 (sec)
Daphene Peters: Color Guard 11, 12
Alija Pittenger: Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12 (captain); Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Softball 9, 10, 12
Chris Quade: Thespian troupe 3178 10, 11, 12 (Lighting Design and Director)
Dominik Reichenmiller: NHS 11, 12; Spanish Honor Society 11,12; German Club 12 (sec.), Key Club 12; Science Club 12; JETS 11, 12; Drama 12
Hollis Rifkin: NHS 12 (tres.); Chemistry Honor Society 12 (pres.); JETS 11, 12; Beta Club 10; JV Track 10; Varsity Track 11; Art Honor Society 10; CHROME Club 11, 12 (Pres.); Model UN 9; Gifted Advisory Board 11, 12 (sec.); Model Judiciary 12; It's Academic 12; Science Club 9, 10, 12
Sean Rubbo: Pep Club 11, 12; German Club 10, 11, 12; JETS 11, 12; Science Club 11, 12; NHS 11, 12
Eric Sawyer: Model Judiciary 12; Student Leadership Forum 12; FHA 10; JV Football 9, 10
Miltavis Simmons: Marching and Symphonic Winds 10, 11, 12; BCC Gospel Choir 12
Mary-Douglass Simpson: Varsity Field Hockey 10, 11, 12 (captain); SCA 10, 11; Happy Club 9, 10, 11; Oceanography Club 9
Paul Smartschan: V. Soccer 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Key Club 10, 11, 12; Spanish Honor Society 11, 12
Deneka Smith: French Honor Society 11; BCC; Gospel Chorid 12; FBLA 11
Elvis Smith: Track; BCC
Melissa Stevens: Happy Club 9, 10; Literary Arts Magazine 10, 11; Key Club 10, 11, 12: Yearbook 11, 12; SCA 12; NHS 11, 12; Spanish Honor Society 11; Art Honor Society 12
Stephanie Strattman: Key Club 10, 11, 12; Happy Club 10; Spanish Club 10, 11; Spanish Honor Society 10, 11, 12 (treas.); NHS 11, 12 (exec. council); ARt Honor Society 12; Model Judiciary 12
Susanna Sumerlin: Varsity Cheerleading 12; VICA 12
Allison Sutor: Gymnastics 9, 10; Track 9, 10; Key Club 11
Heather Swientek: Sen. Class (treas.); NHS 11, 12; SCA 10, 11, 12; Key Club 11, 12; Leadership Team 12; Student Leadersip Forum 12; Literary Arts Magazine 10, 11 (Layout Editor); Spanish Honor Society 11
Doug Taylor: JV Basketball 9; Varsity Basketball 10, 11, 12
David Throckmorton: V. Football 9, 10, 11, 12 (captain); SCA 9, 10, 11, 12 (rep.); NHS 11, 12 (exec. council); Student Leadership Forum 12; Wrestling 11, 12; Environmental Club 9; Happy Club 10; German Club 9, 10
Colleen Toohey: SCA 10, 12 (exec. council); Spanish Honor Society 11, 12
Lottie Trevino: Octagon 9, 10; Environmental 9, DECA 12
Dareth Trice: Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12; Happy Club 11, 12 (VP); Swim Team 10; Key Club 12; Student Leadership Forum 12
Steve Tyler: V. Football 9, 10, 11, 12 ; V. Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Indoor Track 9, 10, 11; Boys' State 11
Benjamin Woods: Track 10, 11, 12; Student Leadership Forum 12
Becky Wynne: Yearbook 10, 11, 12 (photo editor); Band 11; Theatre 10, 11
Elizabeth Yax: DECA 11 (sec), 12 (pres); JV Cheerleading 9; V. Cheerlinding10; Happy Club 10
Jessica Zelig: Spanish Club 10 (sec), Spanish Honor Society 11; Key Club 11; Art Honor Society 12; Student Leaderhips Forum 12

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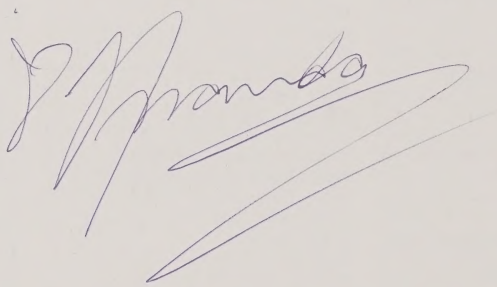
Dear Christy-

I only have one thing to say, we will have no more loud, mouth, stupid guys to deal with in just one week. Well, until summer I'm sure we'll meet some more bonehead. What I'm trying to say is Photography was interesting, but men are stupid. (Okay, I lied I had more than one thing to say.) I'm gonna miss waving to you every morning. Hopefully I'll see you next year!



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The 1996-1997 edition of the HERITAGE contained 220 pages and was published by Jostens Printing and Publishing, Hunter Facility, Wimston-Salem, North Carolina. The representative was Mr. Alex Blackwell. Jostens Photography took all club, faculty, sports, senior portraits and underclassmen pictures.

Fonts used in the book were as follows: Helvetica was used for all the body copy (except student portraits), captions, and folio tabs. The title page and dividers used Palatino for the headline and Helveitca-Narrow for subheadline. In the other sections Times New Roman was used for the headline and Helvetica Narrow was used for the subheadline. In the senior section Gillsans Condensed was used for the names, DomCasual for the story title, and Biffo MT was used for the story copy. The superlative titles were Bellevue and the names were Palatino. The sports sections used Bodoni PosterCompressed for the Scoreboard headline. Italicized Palatino was used for the senior messages. The index used palatino for the names and Biffo MT for the titles.

Color was used in the opening, student life, and senior sections.

Tool lines, grey screens, and patterned screens were used in all sections. Artwork for the folio tabs helped carry the theme throughout the book

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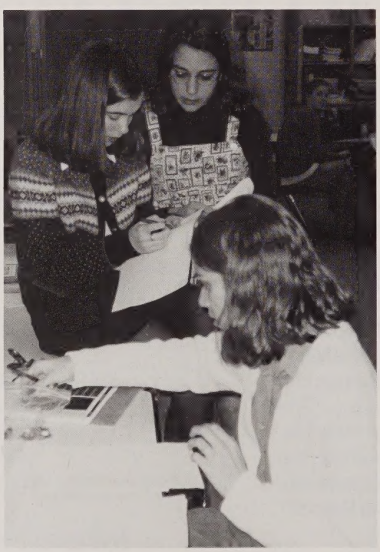
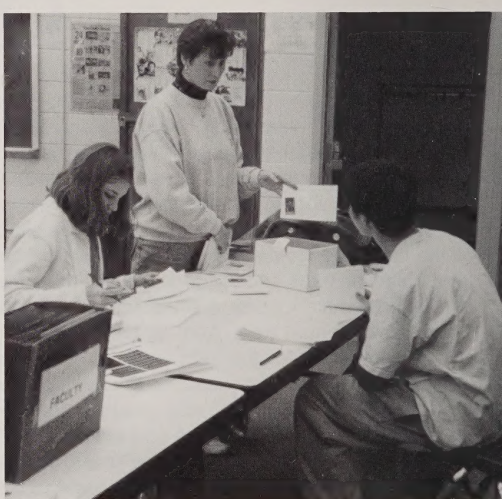
Photography editor, Becky Wynne, consults with her only assistant, Christine Marlowe. Picture selection was one of the crucial jobs. Thank you "Reebok" for your three years on staff.

In the unforgettable "she's about to explode" pose, co-editor Gayle Holloway encourages the staff. The editor's job was to also give guidance to the staff members.

Co-editor Sarah Faucette waits patiently to talk with a business. One of the most important yearbook tasks was selling ads, which provided additional money to improve the quality of the yearbook.



As Erika Johnson continues to tally underclass portraits, Farrell Scifres and co-editor Kim Castora double-check the spelling of names. Just think, Kim, the index is done!



Mrs. Bone, sponsor of seven years, instructs Erika Johnson and Danny Chung on the quickest way to count underclassmen pictures. Erika and Danny's working relationship was definitely a source of daily entertainment.

Faces in the Crowd
Yearbook

FIRST ROW: Lauren Polino, Kim Castora, Tricia James SECOND ROW: Christine Machaj, Melissa Stevens, Farrell Scifres, Erika Johnson THIRD ROW: Becky Wynne, Christine Marlowe, Sarah Faucette, Gayle Holloway, Danny Chung

Lauren Polino (Business Manager), Kim Castora (Co-Editor), Gayle Holloway (Co-Editor), Sarah Faucette (Co-Editor), Becky Wynne (Photography Editor)

Gayle Holloway: I always said I would never be an editor. But lo and behold, I found myself at Bridgewater this summer. Fond memories of the balloon man and Kim's hand stuck in the candy machine will forever be in my mind. Danny, your sense of humor provided many hours of great entertainment. We'll never forget your monkey impressions. To my fellow editors, thanks for helping me through the many hours of blood, sweat and tears. Your support was great. Sarah, I will always remember you and your ointment. Becky, yes I'm still afraid of you. Erika, I want a caulking gun got my birthday. Are you wearing a bungee cord? Tricia, you have caused me many hours of stress and tears, but have you learned yet how to use the photocopy machine? Little Lauren, you have earned a special place in my heart. Let's go to Schlotzky's (we could run by Barnes and Noble, too.) Farrell and Christine Machaj were diligent workers. Farrell, try to smile a little more. Melissa thanks for chasing down Alex at Cox and making that crucial delivery. And to Christine Marlowe, throughout every crisis you quickly volunteered to help out. It was a long three years on staff. Wendy Lady" You've been wonderful helping me through it all and not washing my mouth out with soap. You all were a great staff, Sayonara.

Kim Castora: Where do I begin? My only year on staff. I must admit the staff made it quite interesting. Erika levitating; Danny the monkeyboy's obsession with Niki; Sarah's mom's macaroni and cheese; Gayle's Saturday morning tribal dance to "Send Me On My Way"; Tricia (a.k.a. the girl with the braids) "stole your food"; Farrell's kicks; Lauren believing I was worth more than a penny.; Mrs. Bone's cookies and glass Christmas tree she brought to the hospital; Becky constantly reminding me to "Tell Mr. Bothel I'm taking pictures; Gayle sliding down the hallway at Bridgewater; Adam the balloon guy; black hairy tongue disease; missing deadlines; the endless swapping of boyfriend stories (Thanks, JWK); Sarah: "Do they know English?"; both Christine's being the only sand and quiet ones on staff. On a more serious note, Gayle and Sarah, you guys are amazing. We have managed to pull this book together, even though it meant sacrificing our Saturdays. Although it was frustrating, we did it. Be thankful we're seniors, we'll never have to do it again. Mrs. Bone, everyone told me how cool you were, and you lived up to all my expectations. Thanks for all your support. Becky, if I ever need a picture taken I know who to call. (Number 2 on speed dial). And to the rest of the staff, you sure added spice to my seventh bell.

Sarah Faucette..."What you talkin' about Willis?" This year has been the most fun. I've actually learned from all of you. Gayle, don't forget about the bee stings, the ointment, and the five page letters and everything in between. We go way back and we always will. Oh, Kim what's going on with Nick? We have this killer cheesy tourist shop employee connection which is cool. I can't wait to be in your wedding. Hey, there's a comma that goes there. We will survive. Lauren, the professional fieeeeld hockey player. The Cortenay saga will never end. Do you remember our walk and the chat in the car with the car phone? I have a Jim story for you. Farrell is the goddess of copy machines. Remember when we got yelled at? Oh my, I was beyond scared. And all those crazy kids in t he hallway. What can I say Tricia? You know it all, but let me remind you of the long johns, the book, Dave Finch, the beef stew and chop chop flush. I have two words for you and all that other stuff. Don't forget Violent Femmes and the aftershock. You're cool. I will always go to Rite Aid with you Erika. Thanks for retaking all the Bio tests with me. Danny, you're awesome. Thanks for keeping us straight and for always being so "polite". Bless you. Becky, I am not afraid of you. We'll get together one of these days. English was the greatest. Thanks for all the hair advice. Christine thanks for listening to my English antics. Chrissy thanks for always getting you stuff done on time. Mrs. Bone you're incredible and I completely respect you. Thanks for all the guidance counselor advice and for our little chats in Farm Fresh. You're amazing. Well, this year is almost over...AHHH! You all are awesome.

Facing the future

Thoughts of high school days began to slowly fade. While some students looked forward to the next school year, graduates began making plans as to what field of study or line of work they would aspire. Whether graduate or underclassman, they all dreamed of "FACING THE FUTURE".

Christie

Memories, memories (So many)
Sophmore memories. Really crappy ones.
Really crappy mistakes. Obsessions. Thanks
to Jsmae (we all know how crazy I am
when I stalk people. Next was Alex. Honestly I
thought he liked me. I think he did but he
I was too Snobby & went out with that girl. I'm so much more than her!
Prettier than she is! I could give him so much more but if he would've
I bet he hadn't even done anything with her yet (Omar?) I couldn't believe
asked me out..... Oh well then there's Erik (Omar?) I like how he felt
when I wore my daisy dukes he put his arm around me. I didn't. Last
around me. I was so tempted to put my arm around him too but I didn't. Last
was Albert. He's got such a nice body! Aaahh. I should page him but
Call! But that's dang cuz he's a loser (he's not cute without his glasses
either. Dumbshit. Well it's dang to be crazy cuz I know you'll always
be there for me like a best Friend/Sister (like you've always been since
8th grade. And you know I'll always be there for you when you're
stressin over Gawin. Big the way girlfriend I'm proud of you, you've
finally moved on. Nick (Hello. Wow! I'm actually signing your yearbook the
last day of school, not 3 days before school starts. That was fun. Playing
pretend, watching Camp Nowhere, DQ, and playing with soap opera guys. That was
fun! Can't believe that was almost 3 years ago. Well I know there will
be more memories and I can't wait. Hey up I got to dip now bye-bye!

-Skoochie

P.S. Amanda Williams Jones

Mrs. Andrews Jones

In case you didn't know, Keisha named me that. It's a combination of Skank & hoochie.

(Mandi)

Mrs. Cooper

I'll get him! Just watch!

Bang Bang Choo Choo Train!
Let Me See You Do Your Thing!
(sings the "Braves" chant now)

Christie -

well - English has been interesting! And well... Photography has been slack!! :)
Stay sweet - Hope 2-C-U next year

Luv ya
Brooke

Christie,
Well, I'm on the way to your house and this bus ride is bumpy.
Yours sweet + I'm glad we're friends. I hope the next 10 years of your life bring you joy + happiness and a cute guy. I hope our friendship deepens over the next 2 yrs.
Love,
Angelina

Christy,

How are you doing? It was nice having you in English class even though you didn't talk that much. You need to come out your shell "just jokes" I will miss you, have a good summer and get a job. (Playing) Hope I see you next year.

Adam G.

P.S. If I do see you don't forget the gum!!!

Christine -

You are awesome! This year P.E. & Psychology have been fun. Mr. Hudson is a child molester! I'm sorry things with Matt didn't happen but he's a penis wrinkle anyway. Give me a call this summer so we can chill. Take care & hopefully I'll see you next year. ☮ UXO,

Kelly Lopez

425-0743

Christie-

Even though I don't know you that well, It was really cool knowing you. I'll see you next year hopefully.

Angie !! ☺

Christie,

You are a great friend. Don't forget to keep in Touch over the summer. Don't forget that we are going to watch the baseball game on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Have a great summer and a super Junior year. yeah that's right Juniors next year. Good luck on exams.

* Here's my # now I know you won't lose it.

498-4891

Stefanie

Christie
Hey! I never thought I'd be going to your school next year. I hope there are cute guys at your school. I don't want to leave OL but I have no choice. Nothing else to say. Love ya
Roberta
340-5278

Christie-
Hey girly. Photography has been great this year. You're a sweetheart. Remember, if I ever see you walking from Mr. Eleven again, I'll stop by and give you a riddle. Have a great summer, and I'll see ya next year!
Love,
Tia
PS Remember: SMILE - it keeps people wondering!!

Hi. It's me again. I'm writing some more in your yearbook. I don't know what but I feel like writing. What should I write. I don't know. Guess what. Yankees suck. They're a bunch of LOSERS! Don't you think? Yeah you do. -Later
Roberta
But Derek Jeter is still my man!!!

Christie,

Hey whatts up? Well anyway I had fun talking to you in English this year! You need to go out with us this summer. You can come over to my trailer because I'm moving out hopefully. Whenever you get money or just want to go hang out give me a call and I'll pick you up.

R.H.O.T.S K.I.T 491-3327

Amy Griffith

"love is only true in fairy tales" -monkees

i hate "the glass menagerie"

"pretty depressing huh?

"Las vacas abaient a minuit" CxS.

i'm glad i'm not canadian. comstock is horrible. "madre de Dios" she hates when i do that!

Kiersten Armstrong

425-8010

Christie,

Hey! Keep smiling school is almost over. I know you can not wait for the day it ends. Thanks for giveing me someone to talk to during photo. class, It was fun talking to you but not so fun just sitting there. Have a great summer and keep yourself busy!

Lynn '97-

P.S. Call if you get board. #
425-7186

CRISTIE,

hey, sweety! it's been a strange year. i'm really glad i met you. you're such a nice person. i hope you and i get together this summer (smoke a bowl or something). i hope your summer is the greatest one yet. i know mine will be. see you next year. stay peaceful enjoy the summer!! much love to you,

holly

stay true to yourself

PS- sorry you never got C.S.

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